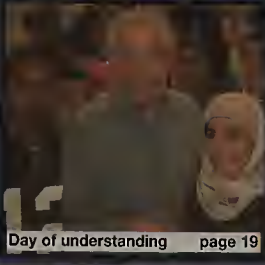


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Rocket-proof mobile shelters provide protection for Sderot

By Michael Berkowitz

(IPS) It's a perfect, sunny May day in Israel, lovely in every way but for the Kassam rocket warnings that come sporadically, sending the residents of Sderot on the Gaza border dashing madly for cover. There is no such thing as business as usual here — once the alarm sounds, there are between 15-30 seconds before the rocket hits — so passers-by head for the nearest building entrance, cower under cars or give up and stay indoors.

The same happened last summer on Israel's northern border, when 43

civilians were killed and 4,262 were wounded in less than 30 days as thousands of missiles rained down on populated areas. The 293 rocket attacks on Sderot in May of this year left two dead and hundreds wounded.

"The Kassam is every much an instrument of terror as an explosive or a suicide bomber's belt," says Josh Adler, co-founder of Operation LifeShield, a non-governmental organization facilitating the donation of pre-fabricated, transportable, rocket-proof shelters, called LifeShields, to Israel's Home Front.

Operation LifeShield was founded by Israeli-Americans Josh Adler and Shep Alster after the two became aware municipalities were suffering a lack of readily available shelter at schools, play areas, hospitals, shopping districts and bus stops.

The situation is an unrecognized emergency, maintains Adler. "We're looking at a new paradigm of warfare in which battles are conducted not in the field, but in any city or town within missile range. Today it's Sderot, tomorrow it's Tel Aviv. More shelters are needed — and fast."

The sentiment was echoed by Sderot Mayor Eli Moyal in May upon the delivery of a LifeShield to a local kindergarten. "Just days ago, a rocket struck a home near the Kalanit school, where children play every day with no shelters nearby. Seven people in Sderot — including three children — were killed as a

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A truck delivers a mobile shelter to the parking lot adjacent to the Kalanit kindergarten in Sderot. (IPS photo)

Rabbi Bulka's hectic month



Rabbi Reuven Bulka, pictured with Canadian Jewish Congress Co-president Sylvain Abitbol, has had a busy first month since becoming co-president. In an interview with the *Bulletin* he talks about the future of Congress and how he hopes to make it even stronger. See editor's column, page 7. (Photo: Peter Waiser)

JFS Pathways to Employment helps unemployed find work

By Alexander Baker

Finding a job can be the hardest thing in the world, even at the best of times. Imagine trying to do it in a strange city or country where you don't speak the language, have no connections and no other means of support. Wouldn't you want some help?

For newcomers to Ottawa,

Sheldon Taylor is the man who provides it. He runs Pathways to Employment, a Jewish Family Services program providing advice, expertise and networking connections to unemployed or recently arrived Jews.

"The ultimate goal within our Jewish community is to have every single person who is unem-

ployed find their niche," he says. "I'm helping people understand what kind of mindset is required to get a job, how to set up their goals, how to be productive from day-to-day while they're looking for a job. Some people just need help with the destination, what sector they want to work in.

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Tel Hai Academic College important to Northern Israel

By Benita Baker

It has been a year since Hezbollah attacked settlements and military posts in the Upper Galilee. The city of Kiryat Shmona, just one kilometre from the Lebanese border, was hit by over 1,000 Katyusha rockets.

Located in the core of this strategic yet economically depressed region is Tel Hai College, a unique academic institution that is both the heart and the lifeline of Northern Israel.

Despite its vulnerable location, the school has grown steadily since it was established in 1996 as part of a national effort to offer academic opportunities in every area of Israel. And when the school year began last September, not even a war on its doorstep could deter enrolment – the number of students at Tel Hai increased by 10 per cent, to an all-time high of 3,500.

Sigal Melamed is vice-president, external relations and development for Tel Hai College. His goal is to strengthen the school, and thereby the region, by bringing in new students, expanding the campus, creating jobs and helping the community. Indeed, Tel Hai's slogan –

Building the Galilee Through Higher Education – shows how entwined the two are. As the region's largest single employer, Tel Hai is also its main economic growth engine. A thriving college means a more resilient Galilee.

Melamed visited Ottawa as part of a five-week tour of major US and Canadian cities aimed at raising awareness of Tel Hai College. He met with Federation President Mitchell Bellman, Federation Chair Jonathan Freedman and UIAFC President Barbara Farber.

His message is simple: "Everyone who cares about the future of Israel, whether they live there or not, should ask himself 'how can I help the Jewish country and make it stronger.' There could be a day when it is too late."

Melamed worries people have already forgotten about the war and about the importance of a strong Galilee.

"One does not make a periphery area stronger in three months," he says. "The war may be over, but this is still a time of crisis. The commitment is long-term and I'm not sure the commitment is there."

Before the war, the col-

lege was on the verge of expansion – construction of a new campus and dormitories had just begun. When the war hit, instead of cranes, the construction site was home to cannons, shooting into Lebanon.

Tel Hai supporters refused to be deterred from their goal of growth and expansion. The war made them even more determined. They launched a successful fund-raising campaign called 'Despite and Because' – despite the war and because of the war – aimed at providing student scholarships.

As a result, enrolment increased. But Melamed is quick to point out it was not just the scholarship incentive that brought students from all over the country to Tel Hai. He believes this is an indicator of the quality reputation of the school.

"With all the money in the world no one would go to a bad college that is under attack," he says.

The "secret" of Tel Hai, as Melamed describes it, is a combination of the college's academic offerings, its learning environment and its community involvement. Some of its programs – nutrition, education, bio-technology –



Aerial view of Tel Hai College in the Upper Galilee.

are considered the best in the country. The social work program, which specializes in community field work, can only accept one in four applicants.

The school prides itself on the personalized student-professor relationship. It's Center for Learning Disabled Students, the first in the country, provides educational opportunities previously unavailable for students with learning disabilities.

Community involvement is considered an essential part of academic life. Environmental Studies students work with elementary school children on projects aimed at conserving the environment. Social work students work with immigrants, the elderly, single mothers, children from broken homes. Professors are evaluated not only on their academic performance but also on what they do in and for the community.

The college provides many options for individual support. The 'Adopt a Student' program pays the




Mitchell Bellman (left) with Sigal Melamed

tuition of a student in need. A donor can support The Center for Peace and Democracy, the library, the laboratories, the new campus buildings or endow a room in the new student dormitories. Further information is available on the web site <http://telhai.ac.il/english/index.html>.

Melamed describes the martial arts notion of KIME he teaches his karate stu-

dents. It means concentration and focus – bringing together the right time, the right energy, the right place. You can spend a lot of energy, but, if the timing is not right, you are not getting the best results.

Supporting Tel Hai in the Galilee, he says, is KIME – making a difference where the difference has the most impact.



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Unemployed: helping Jews “stand on their own feet”

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“When someone loses their job or uproots from one place to another, they’re in a form of disintegration; we want integration. We try to pick up the pieces and keep them from getting stuck.”

This is done through class sessions and one-on-one consultations.

Taylor sees about four clients a week and limits them to four sessions.

“Most people come back at least once, but most people, even those with limited knowledge or skills, I can have them functioning within four sessions or hours.”

However, there is no profile for people who need his

help and no cookie-cutter solution for everyone. Some people Taylor helps with their résumé or gives advice on how to answer interview questions, others might need help transferring their accreditation from another country to Canada’s system, while others could have lost their job and require retraining for another career. Some simply could need help learning the English language.

“We get a cross-section of people, certainly some foreign-trained professionals – doctors, dentists, technicians – and some people in trades, people who feel they can do better for themselves, people on hiatus or who lost their jobs, also single-parent women,” says Taylor.

Many of his clients are people who have bounced around from city to city, landed in Ottawa and are trying to get on their feet. One such example is Shlomo Argotti, who left his native Israel in 2000 and has

since lived in New Jersey, Boston and Toronto, with a stint back in Israel, and now resides in Ottawa. He says Taylor gave him the phone numbers and connections he needed to get a job in high-tech.

see Taylor in 2005 after the high-tech crash.

“All of a sudden, I lost my job and couldn’t find another,” she says. “I went back to school to be a pharmacy technician, but there were still no jobs. Then a

series of concerts in Ottawa and, although she says she “hasn’t” made any money so far, only breaking even,” she enjoys the results of her labour and gets to promote her friends and fellow Russian musicians.

Another success story is 29-year-old Lev Shlionsky, who moved to Montreal from Russia when he was two years old. A year and a half ago, he says, he left a job for which he was “overqualified” and came to Ottawa to put his political science degree and bilingualism to better use working for the federal government.

“Sheldon gave me some really good advice about my résumé; he gave me a model and helped revamp it,” he says. “He helped me get my foot in the door and followed up with me every few weeks.”

Shlionsky recently began training for a job with Revenue Canada.

Stories such as these are typical of the Pathways to

Employment program, which has enjoyed much success. There are about 250 unemployed Jewish people in the Ottawa community and last year alone JFS helped 60 of them find work. To date, 60 per cent of its clients have found jobs. Whenever possible, they do not charge fees for Jews to use the program and encourage Jewish businesses in Ottawa to support their clients.

“If we want to define *tikkun olam* from an employment point of view, this is it: making a job available for a Jewish person so he or she can stand on their own feet,” says Taylor.

“Some places see us as a last resort, and it’s not true. They need to recognize the resiliency of these people, some of the fine talent. If someone in the business community needs an engineer, for example, they should give us a call and see if we have anyone – give a Jewish person the right of first refusal.”

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– Sheldon Taylor

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On the other hand, some of Taylor’s clients are long-time Ottawans forced to his office by circumstance, such as Adelle Grossman. Originally from Russia, she arrived in 1988 and went to

friend of mine in Toronto suggested I set up a music show for him in Ottawa. Sheldon showed me how to get started so I could run my own music show company.”

Grossman has now held



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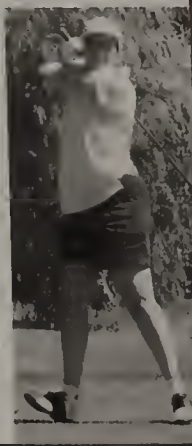
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Shelters make attacks more bearable

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result of missile attacks, and we fear for the lives of many more due to the lack of shelters."

The LifeShield solution allows life to go on during wartime, providing quickly available shelter in open spaces. The shelters weigh 42 tons and measure 3.8 x 3.4 metres – small but able to fit 30 adults standing upright comfortably, and more in a pinch – and the 30 cm thick steel reinforced concrete walls are built according to IDF Home Front Command specifications.

Five shelters have already been donated to different locations in Israel with 20 more manufactured and ready for immediate deployment. Once a donation for a shelter is received and an order placed, it takes only a few days for delivery to the desired location. The shelters can be also moved from one location to another within a municipality as security needs change.

A shelter was delivered to the helicopter landing pad at Safed's Rebecca Sieff Medical Center. The site is located only about 100 metres away from the hospital, but this short distance turned interminable under last year's Katyusha shelling.

"The need for shelter was critical," says Safed city council member Ilan Shochat, citing the bravery of hospital emergency staffers who transported the wounded up the hill to the main building.

"Only after the war did we start hearing stories – shocking ones, like the air raid siren that went off just as a helicopter landed on the hospital's helipad. The whole crew jumped out and ran for cover, leaving the helicopter's engine running."

An external shelter wasn't part of the hospital budget, but an anonymous donor stepped in and a LifeShield shelter was delivered.

"These shelters represent three principles: physical security, psychological security and multi-functionality – that is, they can be used by municipalities as extra rooms, like clinics or offices, during peace time and shelters during emergencies," says Shochat.

In Carmiel, for example, a LifeShield currently serves a dual purpose as a safe room and mini-office for the Ministry of the Environment's Hazardous Materials Unit. To avoid the problem of shelter space being abused, Operation LifeShield requires a contract be signed in which local authorities commit to proper upkeep.

The shelters, notes Shochat,

demonstrate the new urban warfare paradigm perfectly. "During the war we had to conduct a normal routine under abnormal circumstances. We learned that wars can take months at a time and we have to know how to continue functioning under fire."

The principle was taken one step further with the launching of a new model shelter, the first of its kind. The LifeShield Bus Stop is designed for deployment along bus and pedestrian routes and is also intended to help people lead a normal life by being able to go out, shop, walk to school or work and commute as needed, knowing shelter is close at hand.

Also built to IDF Home Front Command specifications, the bus stop shelter can fit up to 10 people and protects against shrapnel, bullets and even direct overhead Kassam hits. It includes an inner room that is closed on all sides, an outer waiting area protected from above and on three sides, and a bench made of galvanized steel and fibre-glass. The new bus stop shelters, like their safe room counterparts, are also immediately deployable.

The project has enlisted the aid not only of Jewish donors, but Christians as well. Operation LifeShield received the wholehearted backing (and a pledge to raise funds for shelters) from Earl Cox, an American Christian broadcaster known as the "Voice of Israel to the World" and founder of the Israel Always movement.

"During the Second Lebanon War, I personally experienced how difficult it was for Israelis to live in hot, musty bomb shelters sometimes for weeks on end," Cox says. "These new portable bomb shelters will make it a little more bearable when Israelis come under attack and need safe shelter. Until Hamas, Fatah, Hezbollah and other radical Muslim terrorist groups recognize Israel's right to exist, the worldwide Evangelical Christian community will stand beside Israel."

Under the growing threat of war, the mayors of Acco, Haifa, Carmiel, Safed, Tiberias, Nahariya and many other towns across Israel have written letters – posted on the program's website – requesting to be part of the Operation LifeShield program.

"We hope we can fulfil this need in time," says Alster. "We're completely Internet-ready and are trying to get the word out to friends of Israel everywhere."

Operation LifeShield contact: www.operationlifeshield.com.

Mailbag

Perception that Bulletin represents Jews with only certain viewpoints wrong

We have considered subscribing to the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* in the past. We have not done so partly for a variety of reasons, one of which was a perception it represented Jews with only certain views on a variety of subjects, be it private school funding, Middle Eastern politics, Canadian politics, etc.

Recently, we have learned from reading several issues that you have made it a practice to have the *Bulletin* reflect more divergent opinions within our community. Healthy disagreement and dialogue are a sign of a vibrant and dynamic community.

Your June 18, 2007 editorial has motivated us to subscribe to the *Bulletin*. Your explanation of the 'mispocha' is persuasive. The running of the article about the two Jewish women campaigning against security certificates demonstrated the willingness of yourself and the *Bulletin* to run articles that may be embarrassing to some in our community and make others feel uncomfortable. Your comments on the representation made by the CEO of the Canadian Jewish Congress resonate fully with us.

Please know we will be subscribing to the *Bulletin* in July. Yasher Koach on your editorial.

Dave Abbey & Carol Ruttell-Abbey,
Ottawa

Interviewees should have been asked to rephrase controversial comments

Why don't you just admit you blew it?

Whether we agree with them or not, no one has any problems with having someone publicly oppose the use of security certificates. What almost all of us find odious is the comparison they drew with the Holocaust. As the editor, you could have asked them – politely – to rephrase that thought, and I am sure they would have appreciated you drawing to their attention the fact that the essence of their argument would be lost in the controversy the comparison raised. Isn't that your job?

Put me squarely in Bernie Farber's corner. Families can disagree, but you don't spit in your brother's eye.

Shlomo Mayman,
North York, ON

Re: Being a family means listening to controversial views (June 18, 2007)

Editor Barry Fishman takes CJC chief executive officer Bernie Farber to task for his comment that he never expected to have to have a discussion about the inappropriateness of Holocaust analogies with the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin*. That is his right, but Mr. Fishman is completely off base when he immediately hauls up the flag of "censorship" to rally the troops. We trust it is still possible to disagree with an editor without being a censor?

Moreover, let's recall what it was that drew a response from CJC in the first place: a story in the *Ottawa Jewish Bulletin* in which one of the profiled women compared Canada's security efforts against terrorism to the way the Nazis treated Jews. We suspect there are many in our community who share Mr. Farber's concern on this matter and would agree that comparisons between Canada, a democratic nation founded on the rule of law, and the genocidal regime of Nazi Germany are both insulting and inaccurate.

If being a family means talking straight, then Mr. Fishman should be able to take a sharp word at the kitchen table as well as give one.

Len Rudner
National Director Community Relations
Canadian Jewish Congress, Toronto

Comparing Palestinian suffering to Holocaust wrong

Can one compare the suffering of Palestinians in current refugee camps with the suffering of us Jews during the Holocaust?

Michael Price of Ottawa did just that, in a letter to the *Ottawa Citizen*, on Saturday, June 23, 2007. He wrote, "As you are a newspaper with responsibility to the public for well-rounded coverage, I expect you will want to follow up your present series of articles on the ordeal of the Jewish family in Poland" – i.e. the Stermer family – "with similar coverage of the Holocaust that generations of Palestinians have faced and are still facing in refugee camps in Gaza and Lebanon."

I fired off a reply to the *Citizen*, a reply which this newspaper has so far not seen fit to print. However, some of your readers might like to see at least one way of countering such an odious comparison.

Please, Michael Price, don't compare the Jewish Holocaust with what you call "the Holocaust that generations of Palestinians have faced and are still facing in refugee camps in Gaza and Lebanon." The aim of Hitler's camps was to slaughter Jews: Palestinian camps at least keep their long-suffering refugees alive. True, those conditions are harsh, in spite of the millions of UN dollars being poured into them. So why haven't Saudi Arabia, Dubai and Iran, among others, invested more of their billions of petrodollars to make fellow Muslims more comfortable?

And why, after nearly 60 years, do these camps still exist? Why didn't neighbouring Muslim countries take in the original refugees, as Israel did with a similar number of Jewish refugees from these very lands? Israel is tiny, about the size of the Ottawa Valley, whereas her Arab and Muslim neighbours taken together... well just look at your Middle East map.

Why are there Palestinian refugees in the first place? The 1947 United Nations partition resolution called not only for a Jewish, but also for an Arab state in what was then called Palestine. Had Israel's Muslim neighbours – Egypt, Trans-Jordan (as it was then known), Saudi Arabia and others – not tried to destroy her in three Arab-Israeli wars, and lost, there could also have been a Palestinian Arab country as early as 1948.

Palestinians can still get their state. Just stop those rocket and suicide bomber attacks on Israel. Stop teaching their children that Jews are evil and should be wiped off the face of the earth. All hatred gets them are those miserable refugee camps, with no end in sight.

David Michaelson, Ottawa

Letters welcome

Letters to the editor are welcome if they are brief, signed, timely and of interest to our readership. The OJB reserves the right to refuse, edit or condense letters. The *Mailbag* column is published as space permits.

Committees – bread and butter of the Federation

Over the past few years, the Jewish Federation of Ottawa has undergone a metamorphosis in governance, initiated by the restructuring of the governance model and the delegation of responsibility and decision making to the committee level.

Committee work remains the bread and butter of our organization and is critical to the success of the Federation as a whole.

The committees plan to draw from the leadership of our beneficiary agencies. More agency participation through these committees results in more informed committees and the delivery of clearer messaging to the Board.

Since assuming the chair's position in June, I am pleased to report that five immensely capable committee chairs are already hard at work building their committees and putting the wheels in motion to begin fulfilling their respective mandates.

Jeff Polowin returns for his third year as chair of the *Communications and Community Relations Committee*. He is joined by a team of communications professionals including: Jonathan Calof, Mark Resnick, Ian Sadinsky, Jack Silverstone, Ron Singer and Sandra Zagon. This committee operates as the eyes and



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Jonathon
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ears of the community, fostering dialogue with various community stakeholders, including other ethnic and faith groups, the various levels of government, educators, police, unaffiliated and the media. Through these efforts, our community message is conveyed and our community interests are brought to the attention of the requisite parties. The committee's immediate priority for the fall is engaging in a series of roundtable discussions with provincial candidates with a view to sharing our community's concerns.

Ian Sherman remains at the helm of the *Finance, Audit and Administration Committee* along with returning members Joe Levitan, Mark Shabinsky, Bob Wener and Neil Zaret. The committee will once again conduct a financial review of our beneficiary agencies and will make recommendations to the Board addressing the financial and operational challenges

facing these beneficiary agencies.

Sol Patronash, the new chair of the *Resource Development Committee* (formerly the Financial Resource Development) will continue with the work already undertaken in developing the Jewish Leadership Development Institute, currently moving into the second year of the program. Maintaining and expanding our current donor base remains an important focus for this committee.

Jewish Identity and Responsibility Committee Chair Kathi Kovacs is joined by Bob Dale, Paul Bregman, Val Eisen, Jeffery Gould, Barbara Levine, Rebecca Margolis, Chuck Merovitz, Michael Polowin, Michael Walsh, Sabina Wasserlauf and Scott Streiner. Together this group will examine, amongst other things, outreach to the unaffiliated and marginalized groups in the community and enhancing Jewish education.

Allan Moscovitch, chair of the *Planning and Allocations Committee*, is joined by Lewis Auerbach, John Lunn, Howard Kravitz, Bonnie Merovitz, Deborah Saginur, Aaron Spector, Zeld Shore and Arlene Wortsman. They have the onerous task of recommending to the Board funding priorities, policies and procedures that identify and respond to the evolving broad social needs of the

community and evaluate the merits of program funding requests based on the established criteria.

Committees are essential to the Federation. In order to function effectively, any new initiatives/programming must go through the committee process – to the Finance Committee for review and financial input; to Resource Development, who may need to find new sources of revenue for the initiative; and finally to Planning and Allocations, where it will be evaluated and allocated funds if it meets the established criteria.

While summer is still in full swing, it won't be long before children head back to school and our attention turns to more serious thoughts. There are many challenges that we will face in the coming year and our volunteer community is integral to moving any agenda forward. Our committees will remain focused on how to serve and enhance Ottawa's Jewish community.

To quote Winston Churchill: "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

If you would like to get involved in a Federation committee or would like to learn more about the Federation in general, please contact 613-798-4696, ext. 236. Have a great summer!

Life lessons to be learned from the game of soccer

The summer always brings back memories of my childhood and the way we spent our summers growing up in Paris, France. Especially this year, with the FIFA U-20 World Cup taking place in Canada with some of the games in Ottawa, I am reminded of the summer fever that always revolved around football, or as we call it in North America, soccer. Whether it was the games we played ourselves or the soccer games and competitions that we followed, soccer was always front and centre.

The Baal Shem Tov, founder of the Chassidic movement taught: "Everything a person sees and hears, should serve as a lesson in life."

We have been seeing and hearing about lots of soccer games this summer in Ottawa. Unless we are in the profession, is there anything useful to us in all these sights and sounds?

My saintly teacher and mentor, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, once explained it this way. Life is like a game of soccer. The world is round like a ball, which interestingly enough is a fact noted in the Jerusalem Talmud close to 2,000 years ago (tractate *Avodah Zara*), and you and I are the players. The ball, or globe, is given to every one of us, as the Talmud tells us that each person should say, "The world was created for my sake."

The purpose of life is to bring the globe into the goal, uplifting it and bringing it



From the pulpit

Rabbi
Menachem M. Blum
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into the "Gate of the King." By fulfilling God's commandments given to us in the Torah, we move the world toward the goal of its creation.

At our every step, we are challenged by a formidable opposing team – composed of our own negative traits and habits and a host of external foes – who obstruct our advance toward the goal and seek to move the ball in the opposite direction. But it is the perpetual presence of this opposition that provokes our deepest potentials and maximizes our achievements. For such is the nature of the human being: our greatest potentials are awakened only by challenge and adversity.

Of course, there will always be forces, within and without, attempting to prevent us from bringing the world to its perfection. Our job is to not let that stop us. We keep our eyes on the goal and we do our best to get the ball in there.

The life of a sports player isn't always easy. Once a player has made a commitment to his team, he must be prepared to play – rain or shine. Life's roads are not always

smooth. There are many challenges along the way. We can't let the bumps slow us down. We have to keep our commitments.

The most important thing on a team is unity. The individual must constantly make personal sacrifices for the good of the team. As a member of the Jewish team, we are always being challenged to put ourselves out for our teammates, to be there for them.

Unlike the FIFA U-20 World Cup that lasts only four weeks, our personal game is every day of our life. By actively and vigor-

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Congress in for a couple of very productive years

On Erev Shabbat, a mere five days after being installed as co-president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Rabbi Reuven Bulka travelled to Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg Algonquin First Nation just south of Maniwaki, Quebec.

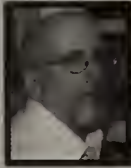
He was there to express the Jewish community's solidarity and support following the despicable hate crime committed the night before National Aboriginal Day. Those who arrived to celebrate the day found the walls of their cultural centre and surrounding area spray-painted with black Nazi "SS" lightning symbols, swastikas and the words "White Power." Picnic tables and a teepee were also trashed.

The good news was, despite the \$20,000 damage and the emotional stress it caused, the celebration of National Aboriginal Day defiantly still took place at Kitigan Zibi.

The rabbi spent four hours speaking with the elders and others at the cultural centre. He told them the Jewish community, having been at the receiving end of these hateful acts, knew too well how vulnerable they must feel.

His advice was to not give in to despair. "Don't ever question yourself because of what other people are doing to you and say there is something wrong with us. There is nothing wrong with you. There is everything wrong with the people who did this. Hold proud to your traditions and continue to forge forward and we will be with you and help you any way we can," he said.

"They were devastated by what happened, obviously," he told the *Bulletin* following his return from Kitigan Zibi. "They



Editor

Barry Fishman

really appreciated our coming."

It has been a hectic first month for Rabbi Bulka in his new position as co-president of the CJC. He is delighted he has fellow CJC co-president Sylvain Abitbol to help share the workload and bounce ideas off.

"We are enjoying working together on the many issues. It is entirely possible that when we finish our mandate the recommendation will be for two co-presidents in the future," Rabbi Bulka said.

"There really is the potential of so much work. You are dealing with the immediate fires that come up and you have to put them out, you have the ongoing issues of advocacy on behalf of Israel and the Jewish community. You are talking about school funding [issues], the high cost of security for Jewish institutions, the war crimes issue, [and] social issues countrywide."

Advocating on social issues affecting both the Jewish and general communities has long been a priority for the rabbi.

He is pleased Congress has gained a lot of admiration in the larger community because of its advocacy work on Darfur, including on the floor of Parliament. He plans to continue to work on that file.

"I would love nothing better than to be

able to say the Darfur situation is completed. But you know what? The way the world is now, if Darfur gets taken care of, there is another Darfur on the horizon. There is too much ugliness in the world," he said.

He also believes working on social issues is a way to reconnect with the left.

"There are a lot of social concern issues we share, such as child poverty and affordable housing," he said.

Historically, Congress has always had a good rapport with the left. The recent anti-Israel criticism, including calls to boycott Israel, has put a strain on the relationship.

"You have to engage and talk with them. There is nothing magical about this," he said. "It is a question of them understanding us, us understanding them."

The key is for Congress to continue what they do well – the sometimes time-consuming laborious work of creating good personal relationships with trade unions and others on the left.

"We don't necessarily have to agree on everything. But we should agree on certain red lines. Vilifying Israel or a boycott of Israel is a red line. We must develop better relations with labour so this can't happen," he said.

Rabbi Bulka plans to do a lot of travelling to raise the profile of Congress.

"One of the advantages of co-presidency is that we can cover more of the country. We are going to visit some of the smaller communities to ask what we can do to help them."

His goal is to show that the new governance structure will make Congress an even

more effective voice for the Jewish community. The rabbi is well aware of the controversy created by omnibus Bylaw 67, which does away with elections for the president of Congress.

"I don't want to make light of the issue of elections. It was a very big concern. But people need to be aware there are still elections in the regions. If it becomes clear that the lack of elections distances Congress from the community, then the executive of the board can amend the bylaw at a future date."

People want to get involved and see Congress succeed, the rabbi believes.

"What we plan to do is to give as much work out as possible to others to do, so you create the infrastructure for succession in the forthcoming years. People will have earned their spurs and be able to step into leadership roles."

The rabbi never anticipated the excitement his decision to seek the CJC presidency created.

"There were so many people involved, particularly people in the Ottawa community. The well-wishers are so much appreciated."

The rabbi will consider his term a success if Congress can connect with the Jewish community and be an even more effective voice of the Jewish people. You do this, he said, by "championing the causes the Jewish community has traditionally championed and by looking after the interests of the Jewish community the way Congress has traditionally done so."

If the rabbi's work in the Ottawa community is any indication, Congress is in for a very productive couple of years.

Giving Oprah a run for her money, maybe

I am a stay-at-home mom. While most people would agree this is an important role in society, it can still be a bit of a conversation killer when people ask at dinner parties, "And what do you do?"

Unless the other person is also a stay-at-home mom, upon hearing that answer, she usually discovers a sudden need to refresh her drinks.

While I am also a freelance writer, there are times not much is going on in that area and I don't have much response to, "Where can I see your writing?"

But none of that matters now. A couple of years ago, I found my ace in the hole. Now I can say, "Oh yes, and I also host a television show."

I enjoy the surprised look for a moment, and then immediately fess up: I host Shalom Ottawa, a half-hour show on the Jewish community that airs once a month on a Sunday morning on Rogers 22.

Oprah has little to fear from me. But no matter, the moment people find out I am on TV, they are fascinated. Suddenly, I am interesting.



Nicola Hamer

I didn't agree to the position to have something to say at dinner parties, although that is a nice bonus. I did it because I have a very busy husband and little opportunity to volunteer in the community. When they needed someone to fill the spot, it seemed there was something I could actually be helpful with, given my degree in TV journalism. (Yes, that's right, hosting this show is a volunteer job, and no one does my hair or make-up either.)

But when I did that degree, I never planned to be in front of the camera. So I was initially resistant.

"I'm as wooden as a post," I pointed out.

"The viewership is in the tens," they assured me.

I certainly hoped that was so during my first episode. The switch-over was rather sudden and I'd never had a chance to see the show. I had to fake the whole thing.

I remember that first interview vividly, desperately trying to focus on the guest so I could ask a reasonable follow-up question without looking like an idiot. All I could think was, do I look OK? Am I sitting the right way? Am I going to run out of questions before I run out of interview time? How do I end this thing? Why, why, why did I let them talk me into this?

I forced myself to watch the show, to see just how awful it was. The interview wasn't too bad, but during the introduction I had all the animation of a sock puppet. Fortunately, they were right about the viewership. The only person who commented was my mother, who pointed out I needed more lipstick.

That was two and a half seasons ago. I think I've grown into the position. I discovered other bonuses to the job, like the opportunity to meet interesting people and learn a lot of new things. I got to see Canada's only Shoah scroll, meet Rabbi

Joseph Telushkin and the writers of *Hannah's Suitcase*. I've learned many obscure details about the holidays as I've dragged practically every rabbi in the city on at one point or another to talk to me about them.

More importantly, I'm finding I actually like doing the show. I used to make sure to cover lots of events so I could avoid being in front of the camera as much as possible, but my last two shows involved episode-long interviews. As Rabbi Micah Shotkin and I discussed conversion, I realized I'd forgotten to be nervous at all. I ignored the camera and enjoyed the conversation.

Something else happened over those two years: a few people have started watching (besides mom). I still don't need to fear being mobbed in the street, but, for the first time in my life a couple of weeks ago, I was introduced to someone who said, "Oh yes, I recognize you from TV. I watch every episode of Shalom Ottawa."

A fan! Or at least, a regular! Give me another 20 years or so, and maybe I will give Oprah a run for her money.

Founding president of Tamir to be honoured at August tea

By Mona Klinger

This year, the Tamir *Chai Tea* is proud to honour Lily Penso, in celebration of her many years of dedication to Tamir.

Lily was the founding president of Tamir. She maintains a great Tamir archive of her own – a series of scrapbooks with newspaper articles and brochures that highlight Tamir's history and growth, and the challenges and successes that have emerged in building a great organization promoting quality of life in a Jew-

ish environment for people with developmental disabilities.

It all began in 1980, when Lily and husband Jerry were looking for a residential program for their son Michael, and wanted to ensure he continued to live in a Jewish and kosher environment.

At the time, Toronto had the Reena Foundation, which ran a number of Jewish group homes, but Ottawa had no such facility. However, Toronto was a long distance away, and it

was clear there were other families in Ottawa who needed the same services. So began a long journey to raise awareness and funds to create a Jewish group home in Ottawa.

The Pensos initially worked along with the parents of some other young men, who would one day become the first residents of Tamir (the three were Michael Penso, Michael Broitman and Lee Waxman).

The challenge of building a new organization was quickly taken up by many in the community. There were many champions of the cause who supported Lily.

She fondly refers to Jackie Holzman of the Social Planning Council as her mentor. Among other supporters were Elaine Rabin of Jewish Family Services and the Ottawa Vaad Ha'Ir (now the Jewish Federation of Ottawa).

In the early days, it was vital to raise funds towards the dream of opening a group home. Community support came in the form of membership, card donations and contributions to a major fundraiser enabling Tamir to raise \$60,000.

Through the efforts of the Pensos and their many colleagues and supporters, in just five years Tamir was

able to open its first residence in 1985 on Tweedsmuir Avenue without any government funding yet in place. By the time the doors opened and Rabbi Arnold Fine had affixed the mezuzah to the front door, other important landmarks had also been achieved.

Rabbi Reuven Bulka had drafted Jewish guidelines for Tamir and Sharyn Cherry was hired as the first residence director.

It is notable that, when Tamir opened its first supervised group home, the reception by the Tweedsmuir neighbours was warm and welcoming. Contrary to the not-in-my-backyard reaction often seen today, the neighbours embraced the three new residents and looked out for them. The support of the community, the staff and the neighbours allowed Lily and Jerry to have peace of mind, knowing their son was in a safe and welcoming Jewish environment.

Many challenges still lay ahead – getting government funding, ensuring Tamir participants were integrated into Jewish life throughout the community – but these were all met with great success.

Over the years, Tamir grew considerably, greatly



Lily Penso's years of dedication to Tamir began in 1980.

assisted by the strong and capable leadership of Executive Director Mark Palmer and his caring and compassionate staff.

For Lily and Jerry, other highlights included the Bar and Bat Mitzvahs of the other Tamir participants. They know their son Michael greatly enjoys the many holiday observances at Tamir (including Chanukah and Succot parties).

You can hear the pride and appreciation in their voices when they speak of Tamir and all that has been accomplished over the years, as it moved from a hope and a dream, into a

full-fledged reality.

Lily Penso organized the Tamir *Chai Tea* for many years. This year, the *Chai Tea* will be honouring her in return, and will be held on Sunday, August 12 at the home of Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine.

The Tea will raise funds in support of Tamir's *Kesher for Kids* Program, which assists Jewish children with developmental disabilities to reach their full potential by participating in mainstream summer camps.

For more information about attending the tea, contact Alicia Green at 613-725-3519.

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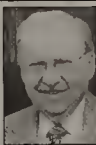
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John Greenberg at Helm of JNF Ottawa Board

Longtime JNF supporter and former Negev Dinner honoree John Greenberg has taken the reins of Ottawa JNF. John will serve as president of the Ottawa Board, 2007-2008. He succeeds outgoing president Lisa Cogan, who formally closed the book on her four-year stewardship at the Annual Meeting held at her home on June 12.

The incoming president used the occasion to praise Lisa for her unwavering dedication to the organization. "JNF Ottawa is greatly indebted to Lisa," he said. "For four consecutive years she gave her all and put JNF Ottawa solidly on the map. The Board is grateful to her and plans to continue the shining example she set for us. Happily, Lisa has agreed to continue to work with the Board."

John and his wife, Gladys, are staunch supporters of KKL-JNF as well as numerous other worthy causes in the Jewish and general communities, and in Israel. In recognition of their good work and enduring generosity, JNF Ottawa chose the committed couple as the honorees of the 1987 Negev Dinner.

Mark Mendelson, Executive Director, Eastern Region, is delighted the president of Mastercraft Group Inc. has stepped up to the plate. "John Greenberg brings to the task at hand a wealth of experience in Jewish communal organizations," he said.

Thanks to Lisa's remarkable leadership, Ottawa is now known across Canada among JNF and other Jewish organizations, he said. "We are now," he chuckled, "the centrefold."

Board members Jill Stern, Doris Bronstein, Mark Klyman and Alyce Baker have completed their terms as members of the Board. New Board members Linda Kerzner and Rhona Levine join the group.

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Tel Aviv band rocks Mercury Lounge

By Jason Sherriff

The pounding pulse of the drums, the technical strumming and picking of electric guitars, the powerful and speedy solos from the tuba. That's right, the tuba. On July 3, Boom Pam, a wildly unique Tel Aviv band played in Ottawa for the first time at the Mercury Lounge.

Playing to a crowd of several dozen in the cozy Byward Market club, the four members of Boom Pam showcased their unique blend of traditional and modern sounds, as well as their incredible musicianship. With a style reminiscent of surf rock combined with a Mediterranean and Middle Eastern flavour, Boom Pam is highly unpredictable and equally entertaining.

Electric guitarist Uzi Feinerman says inspiration for the band's unique sound is hard to pinpoint.

"We have millions of inspirations," says Feinerman. "Each one of us has different influences and it's ranging from different kinds of music."

Feinerman, along with fellow electric guitarist Uri Brauner Kinrot and tuba player Yuval Zolotov, formed Boom Pam in 2003.



Tel Aviv's Boom Pam plays in Ottawa for the first time.

(OJB photo: Jason Sherriff)

Originally playing at clubs, weddings and bars throughout Israel, the trio added drummer Dudu Kochav to complete their fresh and innovative sound. The band released its debut LP in October, and they plan to record more songs following their world tour, which runs until the end of August.

Boom Pam owes a lot to the Israeli Embassy, according to Kochav. "They helped us to get here. They have been supporting us, and helped with organizing this show."

With music ranging from instrumental Middle Eastern inspired surf rock to Hebrew love songs, Boom

Pam is fresh, fun and wishes to convey a simple and meaningful message as Israelis, says Kinrot. "Peace and love."

"We want to just keep doing what we're doing," says Kochav, who notes the band played one of its best shows at the Montreal Jazz Festival on July 2. "People are dancing, having fun and having a good time. It is definitely one [show] we will remember."

Noam Katz, an audience member who was blown away by Boom Pam's performance, says he expected something special.

"My friend recommended them after seeing them in

Montreal," says Katz, who calls the band members phenomenal musicians. "Their music is worthy of any Quentin Tarantino film. This is the first time I've seen a tuba used like that. You'd be hard pressed to find another band like that."

During the show, Kinrot encouraged the shy audience to dance and have a good time. On several occasions, both Kinrot and Feinerman leapt off the stage, dancing among the crowd joyfully.

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Stulberg picked for Canada's Maccabi basketball team

By Jason Sherriff

The hardwood floors glisten in the light. A thin layer of sweat covers the players' faces, their bodies constantly in motion. The squeaking of shoes echoes through the arena, signalling tight defence and fast reflexes. With one swift motion the attacking player dribbles forward, his eyes focused on the basket. Leaping into the air, his only chance to score lies in the subtle flick and roll of his fingers.

This is competition. This is basketball. And for a week, this will be Gavi Stulberg's world.

Stulberg, 15, was selected this year to partake in the

2007 European Maccabi games in Rome.

"It really is a once-in-a-lifetime experience," he says. "I'm really honoured and excited to go. I'm sure it will be a great experience," he told the *Bulletin* prior to leaving for Rome.

The 2007 European Maccabi games consist of 16 sports, 38 countries and nearly 2,000 athletes in an international competition. The games run from July 4 to July 12, with events ranging from badminton and table tennis to soccer and volleyball.

"I'm a little bit nervous," admits Stulberg. "There's a

lot of pressure involved. It's all about playing on an international level. I've never done that before so this is completely new to me. I haven't really played any organized sports until last year."

Until last year, Stulberg's experience with basketball was limited to pick-up games with his friends, due to a strenuous school schedule. From Monday to Friday, from about 8 am until late afternoon, Stulberg would be immersed in his studies at the Ottawa Torah Institute and on Saturday's at shul, prohibiting him from playing on a club team.

"It's hard, but it's not impossible," says Stulberg. "I guess when you compare it to other schedules ... it seems crazy, but, in my mind, I've been doing it for two years already so I'm used to it."

Jon Braun, athletic director of the Soloway Jewish Community Centre, says he recognized Stulberg's talent and the difficulties his schedule caused, and decided to sign him up for the

JCC Men's League last year.

"He's an excellent student and very competitive" says Braun. "There aren't many kids that have that look in their eye, but Gavi has that look."

Although he says his rise to international competition was quick, Stulberg says there was at least one milestone in his basketball career.

Last year, he and some friends made it onto the Maccabi Ottawa team's practice squad.

"We practised with the team every week for three or four months," says Stulberg. "That was when I really started getting a lot better at basketball and improving my game dramatically. That was a really good stepping stone."

Stulberg says his greatest support has come from his mother Rebecca, although he is quick to point out the help Braun has offered him.

"I had a training camp in May and he actually drove me to Montreal just so I could practise," says Stul-



Gavi Stulberg (right) with Jon Braun at the Breakfast of Champions

berg. "He's done a ton for me to get me here. At the same time my mom has been running around lately trying to get everything together."

Stulberg says he hopes the Canadian junior team will take home the gold at this year's European Mac-

cabi games.

"I just want to represent myself and my community and my family," says Stulberg. "I just want to represent them well and make people see what a great community Ottawa is and what a great family I have."

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Passover in the Aisle helps people reconnect to their Jewish roots

OMJS plans to run similar program for Rosh Hashanah

By Brenda Schwartz
Jewish communities all over North America grapple with how to reconnect people to their Jewish roots as they watch membership drastically dwindle in their synagogues, schools and Jewish institutions.

For many people, juggling work, children, parents and housework is a fine balance and it is not always easy to make time for a Jewish education in their already hectic lives. Others have never been exposed to any Jewish education or cultural activities. Many others remain unconnected to the Jewish community because they are married to someone who is not Jewish.

These families still feel a very strong connection to their Jewish roots yet feel uncomfortable in traditional Jewish places.

A new joint venture by Ottawa Modern Jewish School (OMJS) and Jewish Outreach Ottawa reaches out to everyone who has a Jewish connection.

What better way to reach a diverse group of people than bringing Jewish holidays and traditions to the grocery store. Everybody shops for groceries. Ottawa is lucky to have a large kosher section at Loblaws,

College Square, but this venture is an effort to reach out to people who don't normally stroll the kosher aisles.

Based on the Passover in the Aisles program introduced in the United States, shoppers strolling the produce aisles of Loblaws, College Square, a few days before Passover were invited to learn about the Jewish holiday and taste some holiday treats.

Passover is an ideal holiday to bring to a public place. It celebrates freedom from slavery and the arrival of spring, universal themes that everyone relates to. Food is a great icebreaker and the Passover coconut and chocolate cookies were a delicious introduction to the holiday.

Many people stopped by to chat. Some already affiliated with the Jewish community took the opportunity to sample new Passover products on the market.

Some with no Jewish connection came to find out more about a holiday they had heard about. But, most importantly, several people stopped by who have no formal affiliation with the Jewish community yet still feel a connection to their Jewish roots and cultural heritage.

OMJS held a free raffle



The Choroshansky family won the raffle for a Passover basket from Ottawa Modern Jewish School.

for a basket of Passover goodies. Families with school-aged children were invited to attend the teaching Seder at the school. The school also set up an outreach table at the Capital Parent and Kids Show held at the Neptun Sportsplex.

OMJS focuses on connecting children and their families with their Jewish roots and cultural traditions.

It values diversity and community, providing an inclusive atmosphere for all families.

OMJS is looking forward to continuing its partnership with Jewish Outreach Ottawa.

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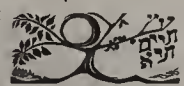
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Laurie Dougherty newest member of Archives

By Dawn Logan
Archivist

Laurie Dougherty has been appointed assistant archivist of the Ottawa Jewish Archives. She started work in late June and has arrived with a number of accomplishments in the archival field.

She currently manages the entire operation of the Arnprior & McNab Braeside Archives located in Arnprior. On a part-time basis, she performs all the archival duties and supervises an extensive volunteer staff.

One of the significant collections of the Arnprior Archives is the now defunct



Laurie Dougherty

McLachlin Saw Mills. Dougherty was responsible for all aspects of preserving and describing the donation. Other lumbering records

include the Gillies Brothers and Stewart Brothers.

Dougherty's archival career began in the sound and moving images area and one of her first major work assignments at the Archives of Ontario involved all the multi-media material from the Eaton's catalogue and store business.

Dougherty is very much an Ottawa Valley person having graduated from Renfrew Collegiate Institute. Although her post-secondary education in both art conservation and audio visual technician program took her to Sir Sanford Fleming College in Peterborough,

and early employment in Toronto, she is firmly back in the valley living in Arnprior.

She is married to Ken Orenstein and they have two children, a boy Coleman and a girl Elizabeth. They are members of Temple Israel and Dougherty does volunteer work on the religious school committee of her synagogue.

She is "delighted to be here" and says she feels very much at home in a familiar discipline.

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Hebrew University honours Stephen and Gail Victor

By Shelli Kimmel

When Stephen Victor was approached to be the honoree of the 2006 JNF Negev dinner, he agreed, provided the proceeds of the event would go to a joint project of JNF and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, an institution that has long held a special place in his heart.

In consultation with the two organizations in Jerusalem, Victor settled on the revitalization of the Jerusalem Botanical Gardens, housed on Mount Scopus within the walls of Hebrew University.

Since the mid-70s, the Botanical Gardens have been a joint project of The Hebrew University and JNF. The area has a rich history and houses two significant ancient burial sites.

In 1902, during the construction of a home, workers

found a cave, and archeologists were called in. The area was excavated and an important discovery was made - ossuaries with bones and jewels. There was no question to whom the burial area belonged; written were the words, "Nicanor from Alexandria."

According to the Talmud, Nicanor travelled from Alexandria to bring gates for the Second Temple, gates which were eventually installed on the western side of the Women's Section in the Second Temple.

In 1914, the house was sold to the builders of the Hebrew University, and the area was totally redeveloped. The grave of Nicanor was not destroyed. It became part of the botanical gardens, which contain the flora of Palestine.

From 1948 to 1967, when

Mount Scopus was cut off, maintaining the Botanical Gardens was not a priority for anyone. In 1967, after the Six Day War, what had been the enclave was in a shambles and had to be restored.

As botanists laboured in the gardens, another accidental discovery was made. There, beside the Cave of Nicanor, was another burial cave. The Aramaic inscriptions indicated the cave contained the remains of *Channah Ben Yonatan, the Nazir*, his wife and family. They are interred in two sarcophagi and 14 ossuaries.

On June 4, 2007, a special and moving ceremony was held to honour Stephen and Gail Victor. In front of the *Cave of Nicanor* and the *Cave of Channah Ben Yonatan*, each speaker referred to the rich history of



Stephen (left) and Gail Victor receive a framed print of a map of ancient Jerusalem from Menachem Magidor, President of Hebrew University, in front of the Cave of Nicanor.

the site, both ancient and more recent, and spoke of the importance of the Gardens to the people of Israel and

especially Jerusalem.

The Gardens provide a wonderful oasis for the students at Hebrew University -

a hidden jewel providing a quiet place to relax, think and study. The Gardens are open to the public and continue to be an integral part of the Department of Botany as well as to maintain research and teaching relations with scientists and lecturers in various other departments of the Hebrew University.

This ceremony only marked the beginning of the journey to revitalize this important landmark. Work will soon begin and, in June 2008, during the annual Hebrew University Board of Governors meeting, another ceremony will be held to rededicate the Gardens.

Anyone interested is welcome to join Canadian Friends of Hebrew University for the annual Mission of Friendship and visit both the Gardens and the University.

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Peace-building film coming to Ottawa

Encounter Point, the award-winning documentary about Israelis and Palestinians reaching out to one another over the divide of bitterness and violence, is coming to Ottawa on September 6, 2007.

The event is co-sponsored by Canadian Friends of Peace Now and World Inter-Action Mondiale and OneVoice Ottawa and is designed to spark dialogue among all those seeking peaceful solutions to the decades-long stalemate.

The September 6 screening is at 7:00 pm at Library and Archives Canada, 395 Wellington Street. After the film, the audience is invited to the lobby for light refreshments, mingling and informal discussions. Admission is \$8.

Encounter Point is an 85-minute feature documentary that follows a former Israeli

settler, a Palestinian ex-prisoner, a bereaved Israeli mother and a wounded Palestinian bereaved brother who risk their lives and public standing to promote a nonviolent end to the conflict. Their journeys lead them to the unlikely places to confront hatred within their communities. The film explores what drives them and thousands of other like-minded civilians to overcome anger and grief to work for grassroots solutions. It is a film about the everyday leaders in our midst.

For 16 months, the film crew, including director and producer Ronit Avni, formerly of Montreal, travelled from Tel Mond to Tulkarem, from Hebron to Haifa, documenting the stories of regular people who refuse to sit back as the conflict escalates. *Encounter Point* was edited in Jerusalem and Park Slope, Brooklyn, and features origi-

nal music by Kareem Roustom, who combines classical Arabic melodies and instruments with traditional Jewish Klezmer to form a harmonious fusion that mirrors the subject matter.

Encounter Point has won a number of awards and has been screened in many countries including Israel, the Palestinian territories, Dubai, Qatar (Al Jazeera International Film Festival), Jordan, Canada and the United States.

Canadian Friends of Peace Now supports Peace Now in Israel. Peace Now is the country's largest, most-established peace movement and advocates a two-state solution. World Inter-Action Mondiale is a charitable organization working to create awareness on world issues. OneVoice is a grassroots Israeli and Palestinian organization that seeks to give voice to the silent majority of mod-

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Rosenberg Memorial Lecture explores the link between development and peace in the Middle East

By Estelle Melzer

At the 17th annual Dr. Imre Rosenberg Memorial Lecture held at Temple Israel, a rapt audience listened to Professor David Dewitt's wide-ranging, sober analysis of the complex pressures at play in the Middle East and his challenging approach to achieving peace and security for Israel.

Dewitt's expertise in the politics of the Middle East is formidable. A professor of political science at York University, he is also its associate vice-president of research (social sciences and humanities) and past director of York's Centre for International and Security Studies. He has written 11 books and more than 50 articles on

security, defence policy, arms control and conflict management, principally focusing on Asia Pacific and the Middle East.

Dewitt began his lecture by quoting Rabbi Gunther Plaut's comment to him that "academics make complex issues more complex" and relaying the rabbi's advice to "confine a talk to one or two simple points and come at it from different angles."

Dewitt approached his thesis from many angles, providing a broad, historical context in which to explain the current problems and pressures confronting the countries of the Middle East.

His message, however, was simple, if counter-intuitive. Israel's peace and security depend on neighbouring Arab states becoming more stable and more secure. Only then will Israel have partners with the self-confidence and ability to deliver on promises.

Artificially constructed, the states of the Middle East must cope with internal dynamics as well as interstate relationships. He described the Cold War as a period of relative stability and predictability for the Middle East (despite the many wars) with states lining up on either the Soviet or Western side, and their patrons providing security, economic development and the context of their international relationships.

Dewitt believes the West and international institutions blew the peace dividend after the Cold War, failing to deliver education and development aid to Third World countries. In the Middle East, this has resulted in



Professor David Dewitt

large populations of young people, unemployed and disillusioned with their corrupt, secular leaders.

They are, he says, being drawn into the orbit of Islamism. Smaller and smaller non-state units are now able to execute extraordinarily violent undertakings and destabilize all the countries of the Middle East.

Dewitt also talked about the recent phenomenon of identity politics that mobilizes people from many parts of the world to Middle East causes and has expanded the orbit of the Middle East, involving Central, South and South East Asia in its affairs.

For peace to gain a hold in the Middle East, Arab states must develop economic strength, stability and self-confidence. He had some suggestions about how the West might help engage these states and move them towards these goals: sustained external economic support; encouragement to give up inflammatory rhetoric; moderating our responses to the "uncertainties" of potential terrorism.

In the end, however, he believes progress must come from within the Arab states themselves, and, with the possible exception of Jordan, there is no creative leadership in the Middle East up to the task. He concluded by saying working for peace in the Middle East requires "pessimism of the mind and optimism of the will."

The Rosenberg Memorial Lecture has, since its inception, striven to present lectures of the highest standard and this annual event has become a highlight for both Temple Israel and the Ottawa Jewish community.

The Memorial Lecture Committee chooses its annual speaker with great care, always seeking to find someone who reflects the spirit of Dr. Imre Rosenberg, described by his friend and Lecture Committee Chair Mark Walker as "a remarkable Jew, in deed."

Dr. Imre Rosenberg's deeds were many. Born in Czechoslovakia, he was a writer, lawyer, diplomat, scholar and, above all, a

gentleman.

He became involved in the struggle to save fellow Jews before and during the Second World War and was involved in post-war rescue and rehabilitation activities.

Before the war, he was elected general secretary of the Jewish parliamentary party in Slovakia and continued to represent Jewish interests in the Czech government, even when it became a government-in-exile in London. His humanitarian work with refugees and others continued when he moved to Canada.

He died 21 years ago, and his widow, Dr. Truda Rosenberg, honours his memory in a way that embodies his values. She established the Dr. Imre Rosenberg Memorial Lecture Fund at Temple Israel, which funds this annual lecture.

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Hard work pays off: YRHS student recipient of \$4,000 scholarship award

By Jason Sherriff
Jackie Huberman knows what it means to be busy and to be responsible. Former president of the Yitzhak Rabin High School student council, former chapter president and regional vice-president of the B'nai Brith Youth Organization in Ottawa and recent recipient of a \$4,000 scholarship, Huberman seems to always have her hands full.

"I like always having things to do," says Huberman. "Even if it got a little stressful, that's just what I enjoy. I like pushing myself."

Huberman, 18, is one of 20 Ottawa students who have been selected for the 2007 Canada Millennium Foundation Excellence Awards. The awards are granted each year to students who are entering their first year at a post-sec-

ondary institution and who display exceptional academic achievement and leadership qualities.

Huberman says the money is less important than the recognition the award signifies.

"It could've been \$100," says Huberman. "No matter how much it was [worth], it's just really nice to have something and to be recognized."

Along with the scholarship money, Huberman also received a certificate of congratulations signed by Nepean-Carleton MP Pierre Poilievre.

Michael Goodman, one of Huberman's teachers at YRHS, says she is one of the hardest working students he has ever encountered.

"When she puts her mind to doing something, she does it, and does it the best she can



Jackie Huberman

do," he says. "She has an unparalleled work ethic."

Huberman credits her parents for their strong work ethic.

"My parents teach me and my brothers to always take on as much as you can and always do the best you can do," she says. "They always taught us: don't just settle for

something when you have the ability to get something better."

The academic quality of the students at YRHS is one of the things that pushed her to do better, she says.

"At Rabin, most of the people around me are doing the same thing and are really caring about their grades and putting in a lot of effort. It drove me to do the same thing."

She also credits her academic success to the small class sizes.

"I think it really helps, knowing that if I have a question, I can just ask it," says Huberman. "[The teachers] really do care about us and they care about making sure we understand things."

In her work with the B'nai Brith Youth Organization and with the YRHS student council, Huberman had many responsibilities. Apart from devoting evenings to making phone calls, Huberman had to plan, oversee and run programs for about 130 BBYO members.

Huberman will be studying psychology at Queen's University in the fall, and also plans to get her PhD. Her goal is to become a child psychologist.

"I thought about doing math ... but getting a degree in math, I don't really know what I could do with that to be with kids."

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YRHS students raise money for breast cancer research

By Atara Messinger
Even a Stanley Cup final playoff game could not deter almost 200 people from attending Yitzhak Rabin High School's Fashion Show for Breast Cancer on May 30.

Excitement was in the air as family, friends and teachers filed into the cafeteria of Confederation High School to watch the first ever charity event of this kind.

As the lights dimmed and attendees found their seats,

Hot 89.9 DJ "Mauler" took his place as MC and introduced the models. Cheers and whistles erupted as students from YRHS and Hillel Academy paraded up and down the runway modelling the latest fashions and trends from companies like Groggy, American Apparel and Pom-Pom.

Dry ice, strobe lights and pulsating music accompanied each scene. Choreographed by Isabelle Shulman, the show featured 15 scenes with themes like "rock," "rainbow" and "80s style." Applause culminated the "hockey" scene when students walked down the runway in Senators jerseys

and hockey sticks.

After the show, Grade 11 YRHS student Tal-Or Ben Choreen said, "We, the students of YRHS, would like to thank all donors whose generous assistance made this show possible. We had an amazing time putting this together and are thrilled to give money to organizations that help treat breast cancer all over the world."

All \$4,000 generated from: ticket sales, silent auctions and donations will be given to breast cancer research organizations.

"This is a first for me," said YRHS principal Prosper Torjman. "What amazed me the most was the students'

persistence and dedication. They got to work the day their teacher Mr. Goodman proposed the idea, and were able to turn the vision into a wonderful reality. I couldn't be more proud."

Students plan to hold another fashion show fundraiser next year.

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Mazal Tov to **Elan Dubrofsky**, son of Deana Schildkraut and Syd Dubrofsky and grandson of Reuben Dubrofsky, upon receiving the Governor General's Award for achieving the highest academic standing of the 2007 Carleton University graduating class. Elan also received the University Medal for the highest standing in the Computer Science program. While at Carleton, he did research at NRC and is doing research at Queen's University this summer.

Elan is a graduate of Hillel Academy and Sir Robert Borden High school where he also received the Governor General's Medal.

Apart from his academic success, Elan excels in many other fields. He is an accomplished flautist and has been sought after for community events. He was a TA at Talmud Torah Afternoon School and at Carleton University and a Bar Mitzvah instructor. He was president of BBYO during high school. More recently, he volunteered at the Ottawa Distress Centre and is off in August to volunteer in Northern Israel. Elan will be continuing his education in the fall, working on his masters in Computer Science at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver.



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Ottawa teens work to help New Orleans, one house at a time

A tough, grimy mitzvah in the Big Easy

By Laurence Wall

Five young members of Agudath Israel synagogue gave up their March Break to work long hours inside flood-damaged homes in New Orleans under sweltering, bug-infested conditions.

Despite that, they call it "the trip of a lifetime," one they'd do again without hesitation.

Jonah Greenbaum-Shinder, Dalia Kimmel, Sarah Klein, Aaron Levine and Leah Silverman joined 20 other members of United Synagogue Youth (USY) from around Ontario to fly to New Orleans on March 11. There they found a city still reeling, 18 months after Hurricane Katrina first struck.

"It was so shocking," remembers Dalia Kimmel, 17, the daughter of Shelli and Steven Kimmel. "You'd be driving down a street and see houses lying on top of each other.

"So many people have left the city; so much work is left to be done."

The teens went to work the day after their arrival. They were driven by bus to neighbourhoods where, in some cases, the flood waters had reached the second storey. They were dropped off in two groups, with each group assigned to a house that desperately needed work.

The neighbourhoods looked like war zones.

"You looked down a street and saw half the houses destroyed, abandoned or for sale," says Leah Silverman, 16, the daughter of Margo and Judah Silverman.

"Every other house had a 20-foot government trailer on the front lawn that was supposed to fit up to six people," she says. "It was pretty unrealistic."

The first group was taken to a home owned by the Tucker family. The Tuckers were one of many families still living in a government-supplied trailer on their front lawn. Their flood-damaged house had received no repair work. What's more, authorities had told the Tuckers they must be out of the trailer by August, even though their home likely won't be repaired by then.

"It was so depressing to see this," says Kimmel, "and yet they were the sweetest family."

The USYers went to work armed with sledgehammers, crowbars and hammers. Along with their hardhats, they wore masks for the dust and mould and gloves to protect them from sharp objects. Their job was to tear out



Jonah Greenbaum-Shinder uses a sledgehammer to tear out drywall.

drywall, remove nails and haul out bathtubs and toilets.

And while they worked, they got to know the Tuckers.

"Stacey, the mother, was hilarious," recalls Jonah Greenbaum-Shinder, 18, the son of Yaffa Greenbaum and Jack Shinder.

"Dave, the grandfather, was even funnier," he says. "He would shout out different things that would crack us up."

Silverman, found the heat "pretty impossible" by the afternoon, but kept it in perspective.

"We had little to complain about compared with the people whose houses we were working on," she recalls.

Meanwhile, the other group of USYers was bused to a house where the family had already moved out.

The inside of the house was hot and humid, with cockroaches as an added bonus.

"The work was a bit challenging," says Sarah Klein, 16, the

daughter of Wendy and Jack Klein.

"I have dust allergies and forgot to take my medicine. So it was hard but rewarding."

Klein's group spent much of the day pulling out what she remembers as "hundreds and hundreds of nails" so new drywall could eventually be installed.

It wasn't all work in New Orleans, however. The USYers had a chance to tour the city's French Quarter the day they arrived. Whatever damage the downtown section had suffered had already been repaired. But as they walked around, they were struck by the poverty.

They were also touched by people's gratitude when store owners heard the USYers had flown in to help.

"We went to buy something downtown," remembers Kimmel, "and they said 'Y'all don't have to worry about the tax, it's on me.'"

At one point, the USYers got their unofficial motto of the trip, courtesy



Leah Silverman (left) and Dalia Kimmel take a break from their work at a flood-damaged New Orleans home.

of a local drunk named Darryl.

It happened when the second group was working at a house. Darryl walked up and started chatting with them.

At one point in the conversation, he said to them, "It don't cost nuthin' to be nice."

"We all remember that," says Kimmel. "It means everyone can just do something for someone else."

"We live in a world of war and hardship and genocide. We should be helping people who are facing hardship."

The group flew back to Canada on March 15, having swept up debris, torn out great sections of drywall, pulled out endless numbers of nails and hauled a few bathtubs and toilets.

Klein says her friends were surprised at what she had achieved when they heard about her trip.

"They didn't expect that of me," she says. "They didn't think I could do that kind of intense work."

Silverman says going to New Orleans has given her a greater appreciation of her own life.

"Some people in New Orleans were left with absolutely nothing," she says. "They had to leave town and start a new life."

"The trip made me thankful for my home and my family and my school."

And Greenbaum-Shinder had quite a story to tell friends when he returned.

"Some said 'I went to Vermont to shop for March Break.' I said 'I went to New Orleans to tear down houses."

"They all said 'That's amazing.'"

No one's really sure who came up with the idea of holding a benefit for the Tuckers. Whoever it was, the group agreed to the idea immediately.

The USYers held a benefit on May 7 at Agudath Israel to raise enough money to help the Tuckers buy a new roof for their home.

There is talk of organizing another goodwill trip to New Orleans next year. The USYers either say they'd go again or say they'd like to travel to a different part of the world that needs help.

But with Katrina's aftermath still crippling New Orleans, what's most vivid in the minds of the USYers is the unshakable spirit of the people there.

"We saw a T-shirt in downtown New Orleans," Kimmel remembers. "It read 'Make levis, not war.'"

If you'd like to donate to the USY fundraiser for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, call Leah Silverman at 613-722-8028.



Agudath Israel USYers with Stacey and Ally Tucker (centre).

Hillel and Charles H. Hulse students spend a day together

Students take part in cultural day of understanding

By Jason Sherriff

It's a sight not seen often enough – Jewish and Muslim children playing together, laughing together and learning together.

Recently, a group of Grade 6 Hillel Academy and Charles H. Hulse students took part in a cultural day of understanding.

The fun-filled day, which is organized by Patrick Mascoe, is designed to teach the students we are alike and differences are only skin deep. Students from Hillel and Charles H. Hulse Public School had been writing to each other prior to the cultural day as part of a pen pal program organized by Mascoe. During their visit to CHHPS, the students met with their pen pals, played games and spoke with Holocaust survivor David Shentow.

Nothing is as clear as a child's perception, and the following excerpts from letters written by Hillel and CHHPS students confirm peace is not only a possibility, but an eventuality hindered only by the complications of the world around us.

"The day I met my pen pal was on the day of a new friendship. Between Muslims and Jews. I know there have been hardships between them, [but] it is a day to start over and become friends."

– Abdullahi, CHHPS

"All and all the day was great, and I hope that for many years to come other Grade 6 Hillel students will be able to meet up with their pen pals from Charles H. Hulse Public School."

– Hillel student

"I have learned a couple of things from this experience. The first thing I learned is that it doesn't matter what colour you are and it also doesn't matter what culture you are from; we are all people."

– CHHPS student

"It was interesting to see how our pen pals were in real life. I think it was a good idea to bring our two schools together."

– Hillel student

"My pen pal kept on pinching me ... [but] she is really sweet, she

is a nice friend, and she would never ditch you. [Some] people thought she didn't like Muslim people, but she really did. I think I had a great time with my pen pal and I learned that you don't judge people because of how they look, or because they're from different countries; you judge them because of who they really are."

– CHHPS student

"Me, Haytham, Tom and a lot more boys that played soccer were [playing against the Jewish students]. It was a close game, but we were not keeping score. I think if they were on the [CHHPS] soccer team we would have won gold for sure. Through the whole thing, I learned that racism is wrong and that if you do something to someone it will happen to you (what goes around comes around)."

– Haroun, CHHPS

"Recess was fun because we all played soccer. It was first [CHHPS] against Hillel, but then we started to mix up the teams."

– Hillel student



Holocaust survivor David Shentow with grade 6 students

"After recess we ... saw a presentation by Mr. David Shentow ... [he] is a Holocaust survivor. Mr. Shentow had been taken to concentration camps, his whole family had been killed in gas chambers, he had been taken away from his home, and everything that happened in his life happened just because he is Jewish. I learned ... that it doesn't matter what religion you are, everyone is different. God made us all that way to learn from each other. After the presentation, unfortunately, the students of Hillel Academy had to leave and our special day was over."

– Haytham, CHHPS

"A Holocaust survivor came to talk to us about his experience ... I found that so interesting! When I was listening to this man talk about his life in the Holocaust, it made me think about how we are so lucky to live in such a beautiful and safe country."

– Jaclyn Friedlich, Hillel

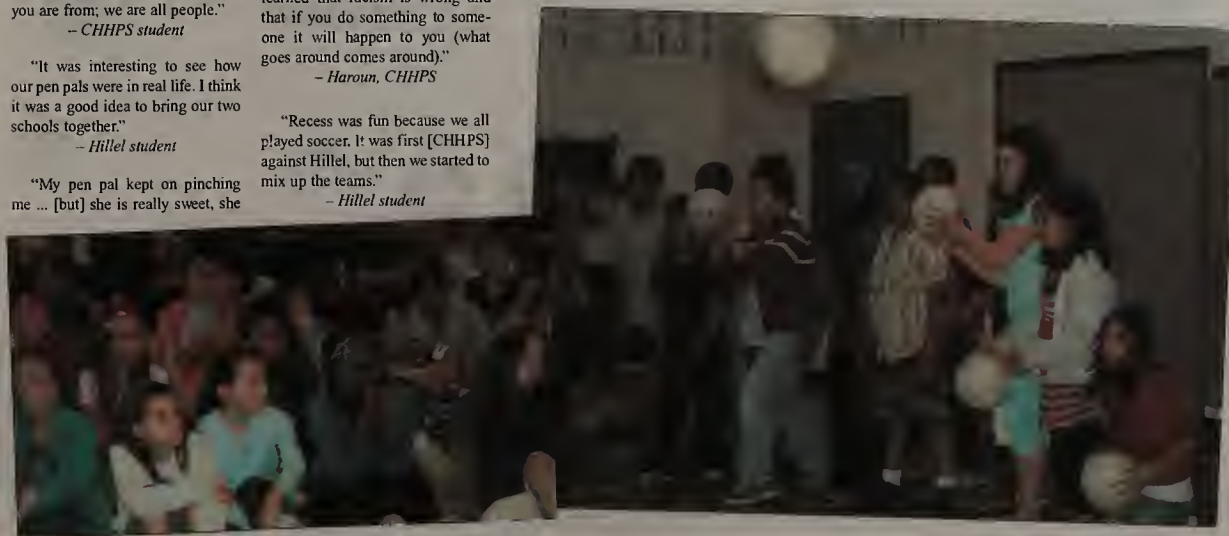
"That day was pretty cool. I got to meet my pen pal and played a lot of games with her. I got to know her better. I also heard a really sad story. From that day I learned that you can't judge people by what colour skin they

[have] ... what religion they follow or how they look. You judge them by their character. When you're making a friend, you don't look at the differences, only the similarities."

– CHHPS student

"I had a great experience meeting my pen pal, and I wouldn't have changed that experience for the world. It made me feel that, one day, the whole world can be friends and there will be peace in Israel."

– Charlotte Hamburg, Hillel



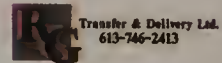
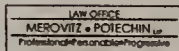
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By Batsheva Pomerantz

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Rabbi Shimon ben Gamliel –
The Mishna.

(IPS) The wedding season in Israel reaches its peak in mid-summer and the 15th day of the month of Av, or Tu b'Av (which this year falls on July 30), is a most auspicious time to marry. In fact, so popular is this date – only a week after the Tisha b'Av fast, which concludes the mourning period for the destruction of the Temple – that Israeli wedding halls are fully booked months in advance.

The Mishna tells us that the 15th of Av in biblical times was a celebration. The daughters of Israel would dress in white and dance in the vineyards and all those looking for a

wife would go there. Though its source is shrouded in mystery, the festival has evolved into an Israeli version of Valentine's Day – a festival of love with all the commercial trappings (gifts, cards, flowers, etc.) – and Tu b'Av's connection to marriage and unity has been all but forgotten.

When the Land of Israel was divided into tribes, each of which held a distinct territory, women who had inherited their father's ancestral land were not allowed to marry outside their tribe. This prohibition was lifted on Tu b'Av and the next generation of women was granted permission to marry into whichever tribe they wished. In addition, a ban on women of the different tribes marrying men from the tribe of Benjamin following a civil war (Judges, chapters 19-21) was lifted on Tu b'Av amidst dancing and joy. This saved the tribe of Benjamin from extinction.

The dancing and joy which facilitated the matchmaking process among the tribes took place in Shilo, a city in the Ephraim hill country. Considered by some as the political and spiritual centre of Israel, during the period that the Temple in Jerusalem was being con-



A groom waits for his bride under an outdoor wedding canopy in the modern-day community of Shilo on Tu b'Av.

(IPS photo courtesy of the Katz family)

structed, the Tabernacle, according to Talmudic sources, rested there for 369 years. It was to Shilo that the Israelites brought their sacrifices and where the priest Eli promised Chana would bear a son, Samuel, who would become a prophet and dedicate himself to the Lord.

As in biblical times, the modern-day community of Shilo – which was established in January 1978 adjacent to the ancient biblical site, now called Tel Shilo – holds an annual Tu b'Av event commemorating this joyous day. Approaching Shilo along the route used by the Patriarchs (*Derech Ha'avot*), the sun-soaked hills are dotted with orchards and vineyards.

The event, organized by the Binyamin Regional Council, attracts some 5,000 Israelis from all over the country. Rachel Erlich, director of Tel Shilo, attributes this popularity to the fact that "not only does the festival provide a diversion for youngsters during the summer vacation but its various activities convey the significance of the festival from a Jewish rather than a commercial standpoint."

The tours focus on the history of the area and the natural beauty of a region once settled

by the tribe of Benjamin, and reenactments of the ancient stories bring the biblical stories of the books of Joshua, Judges and Samuel to life. Storytellers tell love stories based on the Talmud, children participate in workshops connected to the theme of the Tabernacle, and klezmer musicians, whose repertoire consists largely of dance songs for weddings and other celebrations, add to the festive atmosphere.

"Many Evangelist Christians visit Tel Shilo from all over the world," says Erlich. "They are not interested in the usual tourist sites but in the sites where biblical stories took place, like Hebron, Shechem (Nablus) and Beit El. They tour Israel as the land of the Bible."

Tel Shilo attracts Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations and many families come from abroad in order to celebrate their child's milestone in a meaningful way. "The Bar/Bat Mitzvah child leads a tour of the site, and a party is held in the visitors' centre where guests can enjoy a model of the Tabernacle and an audio-visual presentation."

Sharon Katz of Efrat, editor of *Voices Magazine*, celebrated her daughter's Bat Mitzvah in Shilo a few years ago.

"It was a thrilling day," says Katz. "I asked our guests to wear white and we toured the ruins of a synagogue and visited the site of the Covenant of the Ark. After that we danced in the fields, just as they did in ancient times."

Weddings at the site of Tel Shilo, says Erlich, are usually held by families living in nearby Shilo. They understand the uniqueness of holding a wedding ceremony on Tu b'Av at the place where the story of Tu b'Av unfolded.

Tu b'Av is the last of the festive days on the Jewish calendar before Rosh Hashanah ushers in the New Year. Like many Jewish holidays, it falls on the 15th of the month, when the moon is full, and the moon, which waxes and wanes, symbolizes the ups and downs of the Jewish people.

Tu b'Av may be a minor festival, but it is significant to hundreds of Israeli couples who come together on this day. They, too, may experience ups and downs but their hope is to share a life of love, happiness, fulfillment and unity.



The groom is led to the Mishkan Shilo synagogue in Shilo, designed to resemble the Tabernacle, which according to Talmudic sources was housed in this ancient city for 369 years.

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Ottawa to celebrate Tu b'Av on July 29

By Maxine Miska

On Sunday, July 29, the SJCC will hold the first celebration of Tu b'Av or Chag Ahava, the Festival of Love, as it is now called in Israel, with an outdoor dance, a wine bar and romantic evening under the full moon.

"We would like to invite the community to enjoy a midsummer's festival, but we want our party to resonate with Jewish significance," says Gustavo Rymberg, SJCC membership director.

This ancient Jewish love festival is called Tu b'Av because it was celebrated on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Av (the Hebrew letters for "Tu" equal the number 15). During the time of the Second Temple under the glow of a full summer moon (the 15th day of the month on the Jewish calendar is always the full moon), young women, robed in white, would dance in the fields outside the walls of

Jerusalem. The men would follow in hopes of finding a bride. According to tradition, the women would borrow each other's clothing, so that the young men could not tell which girl came from a wealthy family.

In modern Israel, night long concerts are held beginning on the eve of Tu b'Av, the most central of which occurs at the Tsemah beach on the Sea of Galilee. Lovers send a bouquet of roses to their beloved; romantic songs are played on the radio and parties are held in the evening throughout the country.

For almost 19 centuries – between the destruction of Jerusalem and the re-establishment of Jewish independence in the state of Israel in 1948 – Tu b'Av was only acknowledged by the absence of a prayer of penitence in the morning service.

"Now we can celebrate with Israelis – Israeli-style both ancient and modern – with songs of love, wine and a romantic evening of

dancing under the stars with the full moon reflected on our outdoor pool," says Rymberg.

In ancient Israel, this holiday coincided with the beginning of the grape harvest, so girls would go out to the vineyards to dance and sing.

"We won't harvest grapes, of course, but we will enjoy the fruits of that harvest with an outdoor dance with great musicians, food and a wine bar. And we ask all the women to dress in white to follow the custom in modern Israel and to remember the ancient tradition," says Penni Namer, Vered Israel Cultural and Educational program manager.

The community is invited to join the party on Sunday, July 29 at 7:00 pm. The adults-only event is free for SJCC members and \$18 per person for non-members. For more information contact Penni Namer at 613-758-9818 ext. 243 or pnamer@jccottawa.com.

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By Jason Sherriff
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The George Joseph Cooper scholarship award is the final and everlasting gift of G.J. Cooper, and Ariel Goldberg is the inaugural winner of the cash scholarship, worth \$14,762 this year.

The scholarship was set up by the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation (OJCF) at

Cooper's bequest to support people between the ages of 18 and 30, who display leadership qualities, academic excellence, and an interest in the Jewish community. The scholarship's aim is to advance the winner's artistic, literary or social fields of study or work.

Goldberg, who aspires to become a writer and a Jewish educator, is honoured to be recognized for his efforts.

"When others value what you're doing, it is very humbling," he says.

The educator currently

spends much of his time on programming and teaching with the Ottawa College of Jewish Studies (OJCS), founded in 2004 by Rabbi Ely Braun. Goldberg plans to graduate next year with a BA in ethics from the University of Ottawa and Saint-Paul University, and says the award brings his dream of studying at a Yeshiva in Israel after graduation "closer to reality."

"Working with the [OJCS] is an intense and meaningful experience," he says. "It allowed me to play a leading

role in a number of ways [and to] get my feet wet as a Jewish educator."

With a desire to lead, academic success and a commitment to the Jewish community, Goldberg was an easy choice for the Cooper award, says Jack Silverstein, executive director of the OJCF.

"The scholarship is an amazing gift," says Silverstein. "My hope is that [Goldberg] comes back to Ottawa after his education abroad, so the community can benefit from having him around."



Ariel Goldberg (left) with Greg Sanders, outgoing OJCF chair at the Foundation's AGM. (Photo: Peter Walser)



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Boneless skinless grilled chicken breasts done right

When stumped about what to cook for a quick and easy summer dinner, we often reach for boneless skinless chicken breasts.

The problem is, most often, because they do not have the skin or bones to protect them, they end up being dry and leathery and often very bland tasting. I came across a solution in *Cook's Illustrated Magazine* July/August 2007 issue. They have devised a way of marinating and then cooking the breasts so they end up moist on the inside and browned nicely on the outside.

An instant-read thermometer is critical for success when grilling chicken. Otherwise, you end up slicing into the chicken so often to test for doneness you end up serving chicken that looks as if it's undergone a botched surgery.



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When using an instant-read thermometer for boneless chicken breasts or other thin cuts of meat, like burgers or steak, simply insert the probe sideways, not through the top, making sure the tip of the probe reaches the centre of the meat.

Grilled Lemon-Parsley Chicken Breasts

For marinade:

- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1-1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 3 cloves garlic, finely minced or pressed through a garlic press
- 2 tablespoons water

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (6 to 8 ounces each, trimmed of excess fat)

For sauce:

- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

vegetable oil for cooking grate

Whisk together ingredients for the marinade. Place marinade and chicken breasts in a large zip-lock bag and toss to coat. Press out as much air as possible and seal bag. Refrigerate for 30 minutes, flipping bag after 15 minutes.

Whisk together sauce ingredients and set aside.

Turn all burners on the gas grill to high and heat with the lid down until very hot, about 15 minutes. Scrape grate clean with grill brush. Dip a wad of paper towel in vegetable oil; holding wad with tongs, wipe cooking grate. Leave one burner on high and turn off other burner(s).

Remove chicken from bag, allowing excess marinade to drip off. Place chicken on grill, over the turned off burner(s), smooth side down and with thicker, rounded end facing the turned on burner. Cover barbecue with lid and cook until bottom of chicken just begins to develop light grill marks and is no longer translucent, 6 to 9 minutes. Using tongs, flip chicken and rotate so thinner, pointed end faces the turned on burner.

Cover with lid and continue grilling until chicken is opaque and firm to the touch and instant-read thermometer inserted into thickest part of breast registers 140 degrees F, 6-9 minutes longer.

Move chicken to hotter side of grill (over turned on burner) and cook, uncovered, until dark grill marks appear, 1-2 minutes. Using tongs, flip chicken and cook until dark grill marks appear on other side and instant read thermometer inserted into thickest part of breast registers 160 degrees F, 1-2 minutes longer.

Transfer chicken to cutting board, tent with foil and let rest 5 minutes.

Slice each breast on bias into 1/2-inch thick slices and transfer to serving platter. Drizzle with reserved sauce and serve.

Grilled Chipotle-Lime Chicken Breasts

Follow recipe for Grilled Lemon-Parsley Chicken Breasts making the following substitutions:

- In the marinade, use 1 teaspoon minced chipotle chile in adobo sauce instead of mustard, lime juice instead of lemon juice and cilantro instead of parsley.
- In the sauce, use lime juice instead of lemon juice and add an extra teaspoon of lime juice to boost the lime flavour.

Three Pea Stir-fry

This is a quick and simple stir-fry that can be done while the chicken is grilling.

I found this recipe in the April 2003 issue of *Gourmet* magazine

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 large garlic clove, finely minced
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped peeled fresh ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon dried hot red pepper flakes
- 6 ounces sugar snap peas, trimmed and cut diagonally into 1-inch pieces
- 6 ounces snow peas, trimmed and cut diagonally into 1-inch pieces
- 1 cup frozen green peas
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds

Heat vegetable oil in a 12-inch nonstick skillet over moderately high heat until hot but not smoking. Add garlic, ginger and red pepper flakes and stir-fry until fragrant, about 1 minute.

Add sugar snap and snow peas and stir-fry until crisp-tender, about 3 minutes. It may be necessary to add a few tablespoons of water if pan gets too dry.

Add frozen peas and stir-fry until hot, about 2 minutes.

Remove from heat and stir in soy sauce and sesame oil. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and season with salt.

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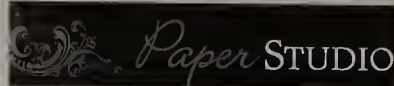
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Book uses baseball analogy to help change hearts and minds

Stealing Home
By Ellen Schwartz
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Kid Lit

Deanna Silverman

Sixty years ago, a young black man named Jackie Robinson shattered the race barrier in Major League Baseball when he took to the field for the Brooklyn Dodgers. He was a formidable hitter and the most daring, successful base stealer in the history of the game to that time. His defensive skills were equally strong.

But it was his strength of character that truly made Jackie Robinson a trailblazer. On and off the baseball diamond, he ignored the taunts, jeers and physical and emotional abuse hurled at him by teammates, opposing players, fans, and most everyone else mired in the malicious bigotry that permeated the United States for far too long.

Robinson's iron-will control over his reactions was legendary. On the surface, he didn't respond. He simply went on with his job day after day after day. Losing his temper, in any way, shape or form was not an option. And because it wasn't, his humanity as well as his talent helped change hearts and minds. Today, Jackie Robinson is considered a forefather of the Civil Rights Movement that rocked the United States in the 1960s.

I've begun this review with a brief tribute to Jackie Robinson because prejudice and responses to it are major themes in *Stealing Home*. Set in the Bronx and Brooklyn in 1947, the year of Robinson's debut with the Dodgers, author Ellen Schwartz uses baseball as both an analogy for life and a benchmark for change.

Readers first meet nine-year-old Joey Sexton walking to a pick-up baseball game in his Negro neighbourhood in the Bronx. He's a devoted Joe DiMaggio and New York Yankees fan and a misfit. The other boys won't play with Joey because his skin colour is so much lighter than theirs. Joey is of mixed race, touchy and quick to fight anyone

who calls him names or disparages his white mother in the slightest.

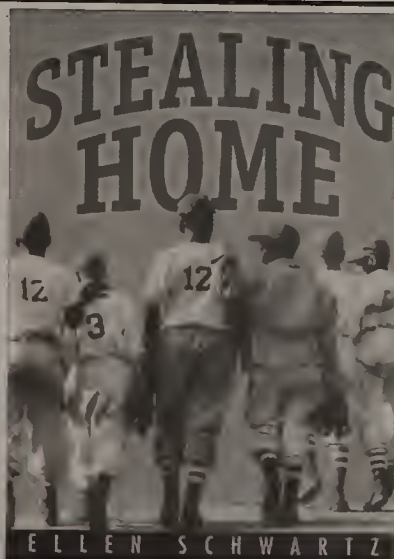
But Joey's mama, Becky Green, has recently died of a drug overdose. Joey is desperately hoping he will be sent to live with the musician father who abandoned him and his mother years ago.

Instead, the social worker takes Joey to Brooklyn where he is greeted by a reluctant elderly grandfather, overjoyed Aunt Frieda and 10-year-old tomboy cousin Roberta (Bobbie). For Joey, that's like being sent to the moon. This family is white and Jewish, the neighbourhood is white and, even worse, they are all Dodgers fans.

Everyone has to adjust big time for this new family grouping to work. Can they? Or will whatever caused Becky's estrangement from her family continue? As for Joey, he has experienced so much rejection he finds it hard to believe he belongs anywhere, especially since he doesn't have a clue about being Jewish and this man called Zeyde definitely hates him.

In lesser hands, this plot line could easily have resulted in an overly sentimental diatribe about societal and family dysfunction and the evils of bigotry. In Schwartz's discriminating hands, however, it resulted in a high-interest, well-written, poignant yet gripping novel that will appeal to both boys and girls, whether or not they are baseball fans.

Cousins Joey and Bobbie, as well as Zeyde and Aunt Frieda, are equally strong, stubborn and feisty, each in



From *Stealing Home*

his/her own way. The banter is hard hitting and appropriate for the time. And the fist fights, betrayals, misunderstandings and humour flow naturally from the situations the characters find themselves in.

Although a historical novel, many of the issues realistically portrayed in *Stealing Home* – particularly the family and friendship issues – are very much with us today. Don't be surprised if your kids want to talk about them after reading the book. That will be an added bonus over and above the enjoyment of a very good read.

By the way, *Stealing Home* was designated a Notable Book for Older Readers by the Association of Jewish Libraries' Sydney Taylor Book Award committee. I agree!

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The three syllable word for working for free

What is a three syllable word that can mean the same thing as the three syllable phrase, work for free? Put on your thinking caps and you will soon discover it is volunteer.

Now, everyone knows one must never work for free. It is equally true we think all good citizens should volunteer.

Just imagine what it would sound like if we had National Work for Free Week instead of National Volunteer Week? Yet, somehow, that doesn't seem right.

So, what is the difference between working for free and volunteering? Well, volunteering is supposed to be voluntary and volitional. Please note the *vol* in all these words because it is the Latin root meaning willing and wanting. It is something you choose to do of your own free will because you want to do it.

Of course, experts in Latin rarely work for the government where people are asked to volunteer all the time, even when they don't particularly want to. When I worked for the Department of the Secretary of State, the employees there did so much unpaid overtime, we began to call it the largest voluntary organization in the country.

People in all large organizations are very familiar with meetings called to recruit volunteers. Everyone is expected to attend because not to do so would be a bad mark on your career record, an irony often lost on those who organize these gatherings. There, some people truly do volunteer because they believe in the cause or because they think it is



Humour me, please

Ruben Friedman

a good career move, but often, if more volunteers are needed, it is those who were unable to attend who become "volunteered."

My wife and I volunteer all the time in our interaction with each other.

She might say, "It's a beautiful sunny day. It's amazing how long the grass looks in the sunlight."

Then I volunteer in response, "You know, today would be a great day to mow the lawn."

When my daughter is home for the summer, at this point, I look at her, expecting her to volunteer to cut it. When she is not there, I just go out and mow it. Well, maybe tomorrow.

Or I might say, "I haven't had eggs all week."

My wife then volunteers, "I could make some eggs for you if you like."

Isn't volunteering great?

I was saying this to a friend of mine who nodded his head enthusiastically in agreement.

"I think volunteering builds character and tells you a lot about a person," he bubbled. "Just yesterday, my daughter brought home an older boy friend who I thought looked scruffy and unkempt. But he totally impressed me when he told me he was doing 5,000 hours of community service."

So, we should not think of volunteers as people who do something for nothing. Sometimes, when there are too many of them, they end up doing nothing for nothing.

And if you think it's easy to volunteer nowadays, just walk into a non-profit organization and say, "Here I am. What do you want me to do?"

You might have to go through a job interview, a security clearance and a police check. Then you can lick stamps. But, of course, nobody actually licks stamps.

Just remember: a woman of valour has a price above rubies and she doesn't get paid but works for the good of her family; a volunteer who gives time and effort for the good of the community must have a price above rubies, many times over.

But, shhh, don't tell anybody lest when everyone learns the true value volunteers have in our society, it upsets the prices on the stock market.

Then I'd have to stop volunteering, which I enjoy, and go back to work.

The best diner in the city

Welcome to the first chapter of Byron and Paul's Restaurant Guide! You're probably thinking, why take advice from two guys in their mid-20s who still live with their parents? Well, we're well versed in having meals prepared for us, and we feel after 25 years of being served at home, we know what a great meal is all about, both in the house and at restaurants.

This week's instalment is devoted to our favourite hang out and second home – an amazing spot known as Dick's Diner. We thought this would be the perfect place to start a series that will pop up every now and again featuring restaurant reviews.

Until Ottawa finally gets its own kosher Chinese food restaurant, which would be extremely successful, we need to direct the traffic elsewhere and that place is Dick's Drive-In & Dairy-Dip.

The next time you exit the SJCC parking lot, with Hillel Lodge to your left, and you turn left on Kerr even though that useless no left hand turn sign is staring right at you, head up Maitland over to 1485 Merivale Road near Clyde and you won't be disappointed.

A few years ago, Paul kept driving by the diner. He was intrigued by the giant sign and decided to see what it was. Paul LOVES diners, is always looking for a great one, and in Ottawa those are hard to come by.

Paul was amazed at how great the diner looked and its friendly employees. Paul met the manager, Kelly. At first she thought Paul was, well, a little different, but they quickly became friends. Paul introduced his friends to the diner. Each one of them fell in love with the place.

We started going to Dick's a couple of times weekly for the great food and atmosphere. It has become the place where we hang out with our friends, chill, laugh and get away from our parents when we need a vacation!

Dick's is comfort food at its finest. The fantastic menu includes the diner essentials: burgers, shakes, sodas (fountain and Stewart's old-fashioned bottled), delectable ice cream (not that processed Dairy Queen stuff), chip wagon style fries and THE BEST onion rings you will ever have! These crunchy rings don't fall apart like most when you bite into them.

They also serve chicken fingers, salads, soups, hot dogs, sandwiches (try the Ottawa Club) and great vegetarian options. The veggie dog and burger taste just like a regular burger and they're healthy.

The great lunchtime menu includes grilled cheese and chili, both of which are cooked to perfection.

Other drinks include a nice assortment of rich and creamy milkshakes and alcohol.

When you walk in, the smells make your mouth water. As for the rest of the atmosphere, their *Wonder Years* style takes us back to a time when quality mattered. The nicely constructed old-fashioned memorabilia on the walls and booth stools are surrounded by a giant rotating pink milkshake. With music from the '50s, '60s and beyond, this place is a gem and a blast from the past.

In the burger department, the pure beef burgers include deluxe (standard), bacon cheeseburger, mushroom Swiss, Montreal (cream cheese, sautéed mushrooms, fried onions, etc.), junior burger and The Fat Boy are complemented by veggie, turkey, lamb, salmon, chicken and Alberta bison burgers.

Here, you'll find some of the best ice cream in the city. There are many flavours to choose from including cookies n' cream, delicious black forest cake ice cream (Paul's favourite) and mint choco-



Paul Telner



Byron Pascoe

Have a Knish

late chip. With options from hand-dipped drumsticks to sun-dae and banana splits, this is the place to go for dessert.

Now we want Kelly to start selling pies, cakes and cookies. Dick's would do an amazing job, and it's time they took the next step and introduced a new line of baked goods. If anyone can do it, it's Dick's.

Kelly and her husband John are the restaurant's managers. They're the friendliest managers in Ottawa and make you feel right at home. When Paul has a problem, and Rabbi Bulka isn't available, Kelly is next in line. Paul always enjoys telling her about what's happening in his life. They even invited us to their staff-only Christmas party, the closest Paul has ever been to a job.

Over the years, we've become ambassadors. We tell anyone who will listen about the place and have even sent Dick's hats and shirts to friends in Los Angeles.

Yes, we realize we may be spending way too much time there. Kelly is starting to get concerned as Paul enjoys running through the kitchen, may have a cot in the back, and is even starting to get his personal mail delivered there. But when we like a place, we really like it!

Our goal is to make this hidden gem Ottawa's most popular eatery.

Dick's is a must. It's charming, fun, exciting and the food is fantastic. Call 613-274-DICK or visit www.dickshamburgers.com for coupons. Or just ask us about it the next time you see us bickering at Loblaw's.

Knish announcements

In honour of our upcoming 30th *Have A Knish* article, we bought a pet rabbit! The rabbit is currently in Paul's home, where his parents John and Betty's stress level is at an all time high. As a result, rabbit stew will be served at Paul's this Shabbat. All are welcome to join!



Paul Telner invites you to feast at a Knish favourite diner.

Titles to pick and choose from

There are so many new and interesting books out there, but I don't have enough time to read them all! Yet they just might be titles that interest you and since summer's here, and we all tend to read more during these (hopefully) lazy months, I thought I'd at least let you know about three of them.

Witness

By Ruth Gruber

Schocken Books/Random House
Hardcover, 2007

In his forward to this memoir-in-pictures, Richard Holbrooke writes about its author: "... [this] tiny, ninety-five-year-old dynamo ... was invariably drawn to the downtrodden, the forgotten, the drive-by victims of history."

What he means is that throughout Ruth Gruber's 32-year career as an international correspondent, she has fearlessly chronicled – in pictures – critical episodes in history: cities being built by prisoners in the Siberian gulag under Stalin's regime; the homesteading, in Alaska, of Second World War GI's and their building of the Alaskan highway; the transference of 1,000 Italian, Jewish Holocaust survivors to America; the *Exodus* as it came under attack in Haifa, trying to deliver 4,500 refugees.

Pictures do say a thousand words, and they can pack a punch. Gruber's pictures do both. One look at the *Exodus* and it's hard to imagine how its (4,500!) passengers survived, especially the 600 orphans whose parents perished in the Holocaust. Sure, we've all seen the movie but this is real; the black and white pictures have an immediacy and starkness a cinematic representation cannot compete with.

The sorrowful faces of Cyprus internees, the bustling streets of Jerusalem in 1947 where Arabs and Jews co-existed in peace; Yemenite and Iraqi Jews fleeing to the Holy Land in the early 1950s; Arab refugees reuniting with their families in Nablus in 1967 ... these, together with her reminiscences, comprise Gruber's testimony as a *Witness* to history in the making.

*Jews and Judaism in the 21st Century:
Human Responsibility, the Presence of God,
and the Future of the Covenant*
Edited by Rabbi Edward Feinstein
Jewish Lights Publishing
Hardcover, 2007

Five Jewish rabbis from various denominations talk about what it means to them to be Jewish in these modern times. Representing Modern Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, and Reconstruction movements, Rabbis Harold M. Schulweis, David Ellenson, Irving "Yitz" Greenberg, David Hartman, and Harold Kushner share personal stories and convictions in conversations about the place of Judaism in today's world.

The book is divided into two sections, the first presenting



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mini essays written by each rabbi with topics such as "Globalism and the Jewish Conscience," "From Destruction to Redemption," and "Encountering the Living God." Part two focuses on "The Covenant, the Community, and the Future," and centres around discussions involving all of the rabbis, on topics such as spirituality, the meaning of pluralism, the vanishing Jew and the role of denominations.

This compact book would be a great choice for a book discussion group.

*Is It Good for the Jews?
The Crisis of America's Israel Lobby*
By Stephen Schwartz
Doubleday/Random House
Hardcover, 2006

In 2005, Lawrence Anthony Franklin from the US Defense Department was being investigated for supposedly handing over classified information to Israel through the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). "America's Pro-Israel Lobby" would subsequently be accused of espionage and the scandal would make credible the whispers, now out-right accusations, that had been banded about in Washington for years – the Jews controlled US Middle East policy through a powerful pro-Israel lobby.

Stephen Schwartz, in this new book, sets out to prove such is absolutely not the case.

Neoconservatives and Jews are accused of being behind George W. Bush and his foreign policy; his decision to invade Iraq, his support of Israel to the detriment of the Palestinians, and other nefarious schemes. Schwartz writes, in his introduction, "Western leftists ... repeatedly (and incoherently) charge that Bush and Blair are tools of big oil and Jewish neo-cons."

And while this diatribe is not any different than similar anti-Jewish sentiment that existed just prior to the Second World War, says the author, contemporary Jewish leadership remains silent when confronted with it, too timid or frightened to challenge the ridiculous and incendiary allegations levied against it. And the AIPAC scandal is a perfect example of the abdication of Jewish leadership in challenging times. With this book, Schwartz hopes to rally American Jewish leaders to counter "the tidal wave of Jew-baiting lies that have swept across America since the Iraq intervention began."

Schwartz wrote for the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the *Forward*, and was the *Forward's* Washington Bureau Chief. He is the author of the book *The Two Faces of Islam*.

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Why marry when you can live together?

It's been quipped that the number one cause of divorce is marriage. Since going through a divorce is financially and emotionally draining, and the divorce rate is soaring, living together is an attractive alternative. According to Statistics Canada, 16 per cent of couples in Canada (30 per cent in Quebec) live together.

Many singles are not ready for a permanent partner – they still want to travel, work and try out different lifestyles. A lot of young women, having little trust in marriage, want to get settled into their career before considering any long-term commitment, including raising children. In the meantime, cohabiting provides companionship and sex, and is a way to discover more about yourself and what you want in a future life partner.

Cohabiting, in fact, seems like an excellent way to test compatibility – a 'trial marriage,' a simulation of the real thing without too much investment of emotion and energy.

And since you're with the person almost 24/7, the two of you cannot always be on your best behaviour (unlike in dating), and supposedly this will give you a more realistic picture of your mate.

Besides, in a free society, why do we need to obtain a certificate from City Hall, or from a religious representative, in order to express our love to a member of the opposite (or the same) sex? Today, the stigma of 'living in sin' is passé. Even some members of parliament live common law.

But the problem with these arguments is that, when a man and a woman are 'experimenting,' they understand either one (or both) can leave at any moment if things don't work the way they want. They often approach day-to-day issues as individuals instead of as an integrated unit. Many avoid confronting



Dating 101

Jack Botwinik

problems and growing as a couple.

And if a child arrives unplanned, what then? Even though they may have been together for years, both partners (or at least one of them, usually the man) may still not perceive themselves to be in a permanent relationship. And yet, their individual relationships to their now common child are permanent.

Some will argue living together doesn't automatically mean you're not committed, just as getting married doesn't necessarily mean you are genuinely committed to the relationship. Many unmarried relationships have outlasted and outshone many marriages. Numerous couples living together manifest values of commitment, honesty, love, and integrity.

This is true. Commitment is the most important ingredient in a relationship. Ever wonder why so many who say they want to commit are unwilling to declare it? Commitment carries a tremendous, life-long responsibility. It's not uncommon to hear of couples that lived together for years and when they finally got married, the marriage lasted only a few months. My guess is that we expect and behave differently once a real commitment is made. If one of the partners can't or won't

make the adjustment, the relationship is doomed.

Marriage, although mostly a private institution, also has an inherently public face. Beside there being a legally binding contract between two individuals, marriage is also an agreement between the married partners and society (and, according to Judaism, between the married partners and God). Married couples are expected to behave in a certain way, be responsible for each other and have common goals. Conceptually and practically they are considered a unit. When a person is married, other people are not supposed to try to woo the spouses and take them for themselves. Married people are completely off-limits unless and until they divorce or become widowed.

Couples who have made a commitment to each other in this manner enjoy a greater sense of security. Both partners understand the relationship to be permanent (barring extreme situations that would justify a breakup). They can pool their resources, and specialize in the tasks they are better at or more interested in. They can share their house and furniture without fearing that the 'owner' may seize it the next day. They don't have to worry as much about sexual performance, or about developing a terrible illness and being abandoned by the other. They can make long-term plans together. Above and beyond the practical, there is a tremendous boost in your self-esteem knowing that someone has committed his or her life to yours. You feel truly special.

Jack Botwinik is the author of *Chicken Soup with Chopsticks: A Jew's Struggle for Truth in an Interfaith Relationship*. Comments are appreciated and can be sent to Jack via his Author Page at www.PaperSpider.Net (www.paper-spider.net/authors/jack_botwinik.html).

Israel's new president has a wealth of experience

Shimon Peres became president of Israel on July 15 as a result of the scandal that led to the forced resignation of his predecessor. Peres has been controversial, but he is the right person, in the right place, at the right time.

In the Israeli system of government, the president has little power. But as the public face of Israel, at home and abroad, he or she must draw on deep-rooted values of the Jewish people and express a vision for the future.

Shimon Peres meets that test in spades. See, for example two videos dating from Peres' visits to the United States at the end of 2006. In his *Hardball* interview with Chris Matthews, Peres shows he is a tough spokesman for Israel and better than most at answering and rebutting hard questions.

The second video is a long and fascinating lecture he gave to a packed auditorium at Cornell, in which he unveils his vision for the future. Peres espouses the view that, even if large parts of the Middle East have not changed, the world has changed since the days when unbridled nationalism was the accepted norm. His view is conflicts in the Middle East are not so much about territorial differences but between two groups of people – those who will fight to the death to hang on to the past and those who will take risks to try to create the future. He leaves no doubt his hopes lie with the latter.

The biographies of Peres (Wikipedia and the Zionism-Israel site are good examples) highlight his depth of experience and contributions he has made to the cause of Israel over the past 60 years.

Since his association with the Oslo Accords, Peres has been attacked for naïve idealism (or among his most fanatic opponents, for something close to treason). Peres' memoir, *David's Sling*, which deals with his early role in weapons and technology procurement and in planning Israel's defence buildup (culminating in the French-Israeli nuclear agreement), should disabuse anyone that Peres is a naïve, trusting, idealist with his head in the clouds. He is a calculated visionary, rooted in the same kind of realpolitik and experienced in the calculations, manoeuvres and negotiation (the iron fist in a velvet glove) characterizing statesmen-realists.

His positions of recent years are the results of *chachmot*, a blend of calculation and values, which he sees as rooted in Judaism ("We didn't leave the house of slaves in Egypt to build the house of Masters in Israel" – Cornell speech) and a developed view of what will serve the interests of Israel and the Jewish people over the long run. He is about as naïve in his presuppositions as another statesman realist, Henry Kissinger.

At the start of Peres' campaign for the presidency, the *Jerusalem Post* was skeptical about his chances and ran a story about the belief Peres was a perpetual loser in Israeli domestic politics. Peres was, in fact, prime minister on two brief occasions, but in both cases it was a result of a political partnership with a rival (Shamir and Rabin) who were perceived by Israelis as tougher individuals.

Throughout his career, from the days of Ben Gurion through to his participation in the Kadima cabinet under



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Sharon, Peres advanced by playing the key supporting role to others who more visibly conformed to the tough image Israelis expect from their leaders.

As president, Peres should come into his own.

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See also the biography on the Zionism and Israel site: http://www.zionism-israel.com/bio/Peres_biography.htm, which provides more detail on his early development within the Zionist movement in Eretz Israel.

Hardball video: <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-5748126966315307675&q=Shimon+Peres+Hardball&total=1&start=0&num=10&so=0&type=search&plindex=0>

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Gerig Migicovsky's gift to our growing community

Gerig Migicovsky would be lying if she said her move to Toronto in 2006 was easy. After 56 years in Ottawa, leaving her dear friends, many memories and a lifetime of community involvement, did not sit well with her.

So it seemed only fitting, when on the occasion of her 85th birthday, Norman Barwin, Chair of the Canadian Israel Cultural Foundation (CICF) announced that her friends at CICF, in collaboration with her family, had opened a fund in her honour with the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation called the *Gerig Migicovsky CICF Foundation of the Pinchas Zukerman Music Education Fund*. Gerig showed her gratitude by also making a generous contribution to the fund.

Gerig shares an interest in music and drama through her career that began on radio in 1938 and continued in television through 1980. With her endowment fund, Gerig will be able to help support young Israeli musicians in their studies via the Pinchas Zukerman Music Education Fund of the OJCF. The Zukerman Fund was established by donors of the Jewish community to provide scholarships to bring talented students from Israel to Ottawa, to help with the costs to participate in the



Gerig Migicovsky

Young Artist's Program of the National Arts Centre (NAC). "The Young Artist's Program of the NAC enriches the lives of the Israeli musicians," says Gerig.

"It is very important for our community to thrive and continue to grow, which is why I am proud and grateful for the gift I received from my dear friends and family," says Gerig. "This gift will continue to support a growing city we can all be proud of today and in the future."

To make a contribution to an endowment fund within the OJCF, call Bev Glube at 613-798-4696 ext. 274 or go to www.OJCF.ca. To open your very own fund or a fund in honour of a loved one, call Francine Paulin at ext. 252.

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Inez Zelikovitz

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Anniversary wishes to:

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In memory of:

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Good luck to:

Mark Nadolny on his graduation by Bubs and Z.

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CANDLELIGHTING BEFORE

Jul 27 ☆ 8:19 pm
Aug 3 ☆ 8:10 pm
Aug 10 ☆ 8:00 pm
Aug 17 ☆ 7:49 pm
Aug 24 ☆ 7:38 pm
Aug 31 ☆ 7:25 pm
Sep 7 ☆ 7:12 pm
Sep 14 ☆ 6:58 pm
EREV YOM KIPPUR
Sep 21 ☆ 6:45 pm
Fast begins 6:59 pm

THURSDAY,
JULY 26

Rabbi and Mrs. Hayyim Yaakov and Yehudis Bulka Memorial Satellite Torah Study Program, Congregation Machzikei Hadas, 2310 Virginia Avenue, lower social hall, 9:00 pm.

SUNDAY,
JULY 29

Soloway Jewish Community Centre and The Vered Israel Cultural and Educational Program present "Tu b'Av," the Jewish Festival of Love, outdoor dance with live music, wine bar, sushi, 7:00 pm.

THURSDAY,
AUGUST 9

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SUNDAY,
AUGUST 12

Jenny Citron Memorial Softball Marathon 10 Year Anniversary Game, 8:00 am.



8th Biennial Tamir Chal Tea Fundraiser will honour founding president and long-time supporter Lily Penso, home of Donna Klaiman and Jeffrey Fine, 12:30 pm.

COMING SOON

MONDAY, AUGUST 27
Tamir Foundation's 10th Annual Bagels & Beer Fun-Raiser, Rideauview Golf and Country Club.
Info: Norm Ferkin, 613-825-8580 or ferkin@sympatico.ca.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
Jewish Federation of Ottawa Annual Campaign 2008 Kickoff, Jewtopia Highlights, Centrepointe Theatre, 7:30 pm, Tickets: 613-798-4696, ext. 232.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25
Hold the date!
Jewish National Fund
Negev Dinner.



Unless otherwise noted, activities take place at The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private.

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Condolences

Condolences are extended
to the families of:

Alec Bloom
Lily Brauer,
Toronto/Montreal
(mother of Ricarda Smith)
Klara Gelbman
Henri Khalaf
Milton Kufsky
Beatrice Rabinovitch, Toronto
(mother of Shelley Rabinovitch)

Esther Rabinovitch, Montreal
(mother of Victor Rabinovitch)
Mildred Reiss, Seattle, Washington
(mother of Levi Reiss)
Sidney Rothman
Dr. Nathan Schecter
Yonah Shiloni, Jerusalem
(father of Noga Reiss and Irit Beck)
Phyllis Silver
Dora Wolfe, Montreal
May their memory be a blessing always.

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AUGUST 29
FOR SEPTEMBER 17

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